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This report is one in a series by the Food Research and Action Center celebrating the achievements of the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) in its 25-year history. The report documents the growth in WIC participation nationally and in each state during the program's history. Following a brief discussion of the program, its history, and some of its achievements in reducing rates of low birth weight and infant mortality, the report consists of three sets of data: (1) a one-page national WIC profile of participation over the history of the WIC program; (2) 51 state WIC profiles (for 50 states and the District of Columbia) of participation over the history of the WIC program; and (3) data tables (appended) providing the national and state data on a year-by-year basis. (EV)

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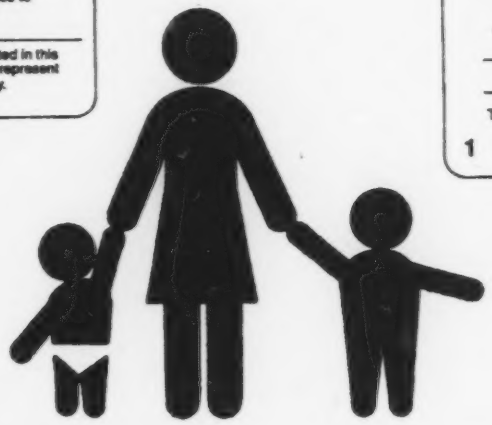

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FRAC is the national coordinator of the Campaign to End Childhood Hunger, joining the efforts of hundreds of national, state and local organizations to maximize access to and use of federal nutrition programs as a vehicle for ending childhood hunger.

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In 1999 the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is 25 years old. This report is one in a series by FRAC celebrating WIC's achievements in its 25 year history. It documents the growth in WIC participation nationally and in each state during the program's history.

Growth alone is not, of course, cause for celebration. What is cause for celebration is WIC's extraordinary record of accomplishment for the nation's nutrition and health, and that record has grown as the program has grown.

Just three of the many positive findings about WIC in its 25 years highlight its contributions to saving children's lives, to improving maternal and child health, and to establishing landmarks for the ways in which wise investments can improve both the nation's health and its economic strength:

- USDA estimates that 113,000 children and young adults are alive today who would have died without WIC intervention. WIC's positive effect on birth weight and infant mortality has saved more lives than America lost in the Vietnam and Korean Wars combined.

- The Centers for Disease Control and other researchers have found that WIC decreases the incidence of iron-deficiency anemia, a widespread problem among low-income children. This is vitally important because anemia affects a child's ability to learn. Anemia is also a health risk: the development of motor skills is delayed, memory is impaired, susceptibility to lead poisoning is increased, and the ability to combat infection is reduced.

- The General Accounting Office concluded that providing WIC benefits is extraordinarily cost-effective, generating major savings in federal, state, local and private health care and special education costs. By preventing low birth weight, WIC reduces the cost of hospitalization, medical treatment, and special education and Supplemental Security Income payments for disabled children. GAO estimated that an initial 1990 investment of $296 million in prenatal WIC funding would save a total of $1.036 billion over the following 18 years.

These gains were hard won. They are the victory of WIC workers, nutritionists, nurses, and paraprofessionals in thousands of clinics in hundreds of communities; of hundreds of advocates in Washington and the states who have fought for 25 years to nurture the program and help it to succeed and grow; and of the members of Congress from both sides of the aisle who have worked to begin, expand and improve WIC.

The creation of WIC was one response to the realizations that hunger and poverty were widespread in this country and that inadequate nutrition posed real dangers to pregnant women, infants and children. Congress created WIC as a preventive program, providing nutritious foods, nutrition education, and improved access to health care in order to prevent nutrition-related health problems in pregnancy, infancy and early childhood. In 1974, the first WIC clinic opened in Pineville, Kentucky. The first participant certified there was a young child named Robert Martin Holland. WIC had been authorized as a pilot program in 1972, but didn't open its doors until two years later. Vermont implemented the first statewide WIC program in 1974. Twenty-five years later WIC serves 7.4 million women, infants and children.

WIC: A Preventive Nutrition Program

WIC is operated through local clinics by state WIC agencies and Indian Nations.[1] There are three eligibility criteria for WIC. To participate, an individual must be (1) low-income; (2) nutritionally at risk; and (3) a pregnant or postpartum woman, or an infant, or a child under the age of five. To qualify as low-income, an individual's household income must be below 185 percent of the poverty level. Nutritional risk is evaluated by a health professional, and can include problems such as inadequate weight gain during pregnancy; a history of high-risk pregnancies; growth problems in children and infants, such as stunting, underweight, or obesity; anemia; or an inadequate dietary pattern. When there are not enough funds to serve all eligible participants, states implement a priority system for serving clients based on level of risk.

WIC provides participants with supplemental foods through a monthly package tailored to meet their special dietary needs. The foods are chosen to provide protein, iron, calcium, and vitamins A and C -- nutrients likely to be missing from the diets of low-income women, infants and children. Authorized WIC foods include iron-fortified infant formula, infant cereal, milk, eggs, cheese, iron-fortified breakfast cereal, Vitamin C-rich juice, beans, tuna fish, carrots and peanut butter. The most common method of providing WIC supplemental foods is through a retail purchase system: clients receive WIC checks or coupons they can cash in for specific foods at a participating grocery store.

In addition to the food, WIC offers nutrition education, teaching mothers about their specific nutritional needs and those of their infants and children. The program provides breastfeeding support and education to new mothers. Participants also are taught how to shop for nutritious foods and how to prepare economical, well-balanced meals.

WIC is a magnet that draws many pregnant women and their families into the broader health care system as well. As part of the services that WIC provides, clients are screened and referred to other necessary health and social services, such as prenatal care, well baby care and immunization services.

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[1]FRAC's forthcoming report, *WIC In Native American Communities: Building a Healthier America*, will focus on WIC in the Indian Nations.

Making a Difference:
The Impact of WIC on Maternal and Child Health

WIC has an extraordinary track record. Numerous studies have shown the tremendous success of WIC in improving the health and nutritional status of the women, infants and children it serves, and in saving health care dollars.

- WIC improves the dietary intake of pregnant and postpartum women and improves weight gain in pregnant women.
- Pregnant women participating in WIC receive prenatal care earlier.
- WIC increases the duration of pregnancy and reduces low birth weight rates.
- WIC reduces fetal deaths and infant mortality.
- WIC decreases the incidence of iron deficiency anemia in children.
- WIC significantly improves children's diets.
- WIC improves the growth of at-risk infants and children.
- Children enrolled in WIC are more likely to have a regular source of medical care and are more likely to be immunized.
- WIC helps prepare children for school: receiving WIC benefits is associated with improved cognitive development in children.
- WIC saves money by preventing costly health problems.

At the National Association of WIC Directors 1999 annual meeting, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Dan Glickman encapsulated the importance of WIC over the last 25 years by reporting that: "Without WIC, 22 percent of the 4 million children entering high school this year could have been saddled with handicaps and disabilities suffered as the result of low birth weight, but the intervention of the WIC program helped prevent this from happening. And, without WIC, an estimated 113,000[2] babies would have died at birth.

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[2]This estimate is based on an extrapolation using a model developed by the U.S. General Accounting Office in *The Cost Savings for Newborns and Their Mothers from Prenatal Participation in the WIC Program*.

"WIC has spent $5.7 billion in benefits to pregnant women over the past 25 years, for an estimated savings of $20 billion to the Federal, State and local governments and to private health providers. The burden on the Medicaid system would be incalculable [if there were no WIC]. Just think of all those mothers and all those sick babies, flooding clinics and hospitals, and what the lives of those children might have been like. But, thanks to WIC, that's not what happened. Thanks to WIC, these babies went on to get a good start in life."

History of WIC Participation

Because successive Presidents, Congresses and the states have recognized its strengths, WIC has grown from serving an average of 88,000 women, infants and children each month in 1974 to serving an average of 7.4 million each month in fiscal year 1997. [3] The graphs in this book show the history of participation in the WIC program nationally and in each state. The number of women, infants and children and the total number of participants served are reported.

Since WIC's inception the program has grown fairly steadily, with two periods of slower growth related to smaller funding increases -- one period in the second half of the 1980s, and the other in the last few years. Overall, state WIC participation trends also reflect a steady increase in participation since the program began. As with any discretionary program of this size, state participation trends show somewhat more variation than national trends. These fluctuations are related to a number of factors, including the level of federal funding, the timing of federal funding decisions, the formulas for distribution of funds among states, and state-specific situations such as the level of rebates by companies to WIC of funds used for infant formula purchase, fluctuations in WIC food prices, the availability of state funds for WIC to supplement the federal funds, and even the implementation of new computer systems, state hiring freezes, or significant transitions in state health care systems to managed care.

Investing In Our Future

Despite substantial WIC expansion over the years, funding constraints still prevent WIC from serving a significant number of mothers and children eligible for the program. This is especially disturbing in light of continuing hunger, poverty and ill health among the nation's children. Fourteen million children are hungry, or live in households that are experiencing "food insecurity" -- government terminology for the consequences of family economic disadvantage that, when they do not rise to outright hunger, include such serious problems as the family being unable to purchase a balanced diet for the child, or the parents often skipping meals so the child can eat. The pregnant women, new mothers and children left out of WIC are low-income and at nutritional risk. They need the benefits WIC has to offer.

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[3] At this time, fiscal year 1997 data are the most recent final data available from USDA.

The case for full funding for WIC is even more compelling given the numerous studies showing WIC's effectiveness and the potentially serious consequences of failing to serve the many eligible women and children who are currently not benefitting from the program. As this incredibly successful program moves into the 21st century, it is essential to bring the important benefits of WIC to all those in need.

About This Report

This report consists of three sets of data:

- A one-page National WIC Profile of participation over the history of the WIC program.
- 51 State WIC Profiles (for 50 states and the District of Columbia) of participation over the history of the WIC program. We encourage WIC programs, advocates and others in every state to take the page for their state, copy and distribute it.
- Data Tables giving the national and state data on a year-by-year basis.

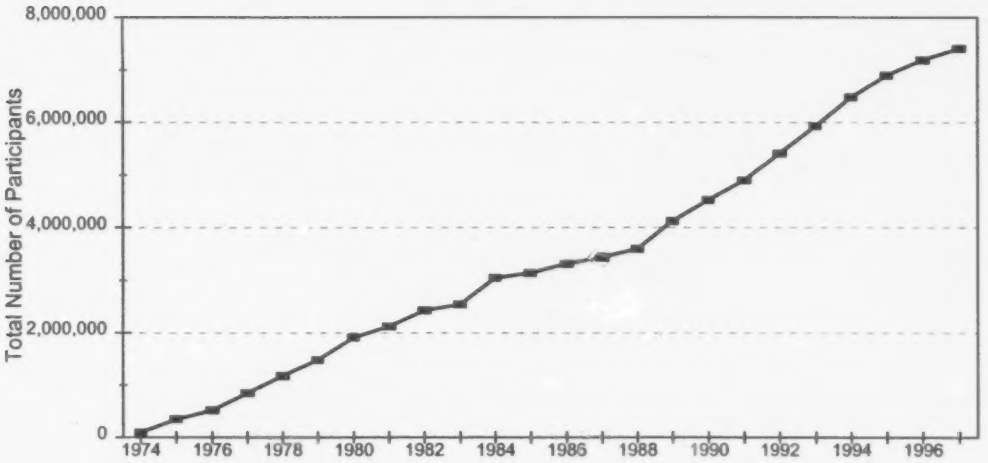
There is a methodological note at the back of the report.

National and State Participation Graphs

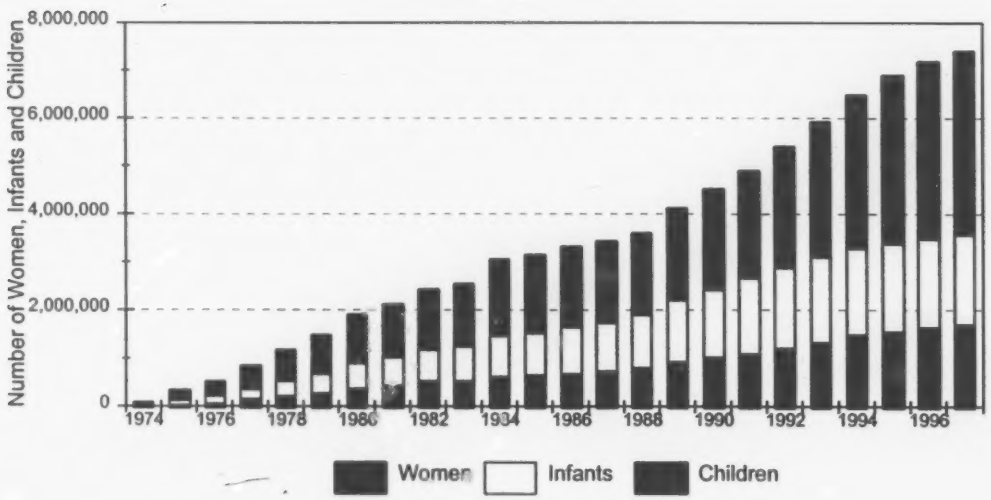
National WIC Program

Since 1974, the national WIC program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants, and children in the United States. The national WIC program began by serving 87,657 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 7,406,866 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation
United States, 1974-1997



WIC Participation by Category
United States, 1974-1997

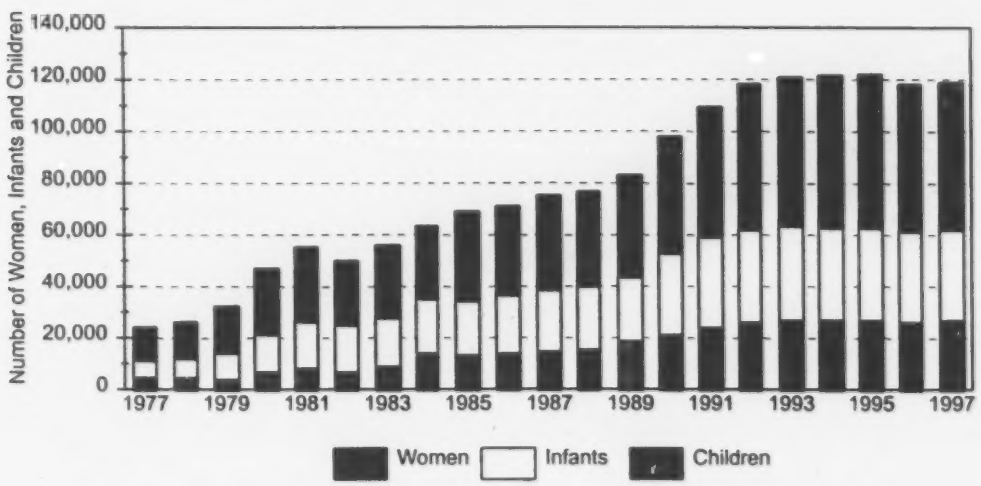


ALABAMA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Alabama. The Alabama WIC program began by serving 3,639 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 118,899 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



ALASKA

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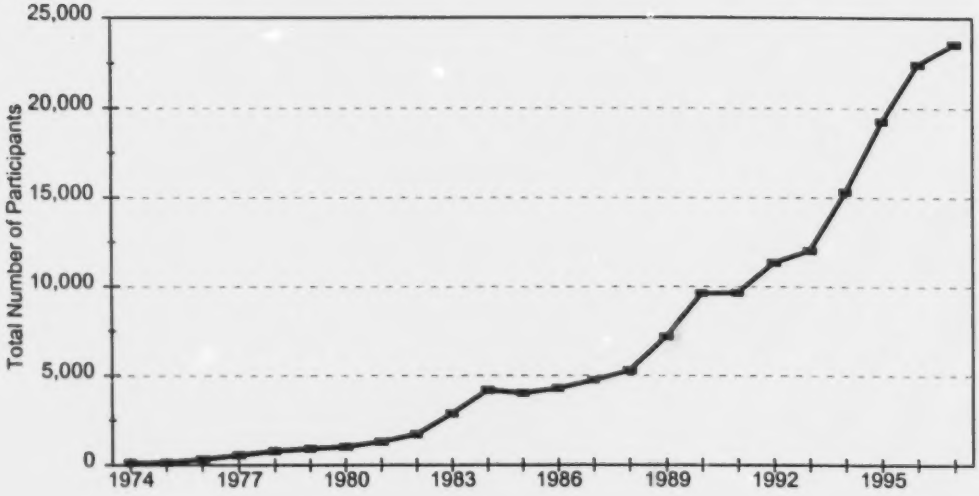
Total WIC Participation



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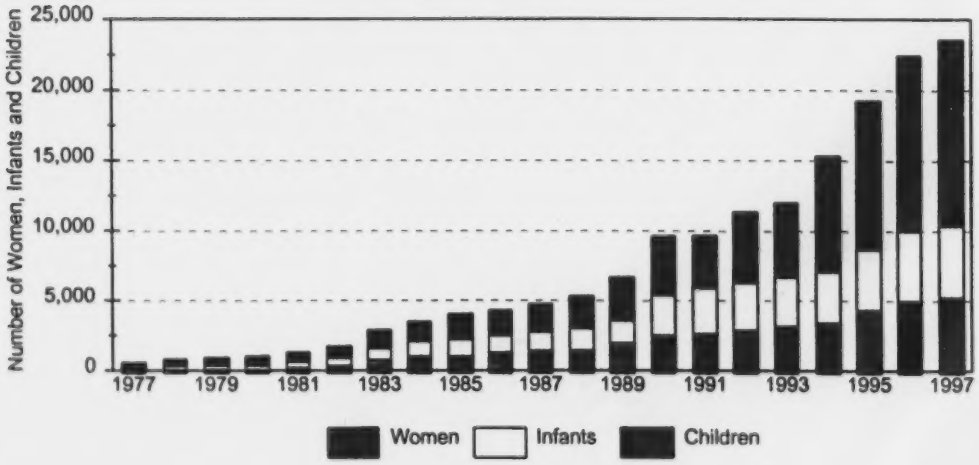
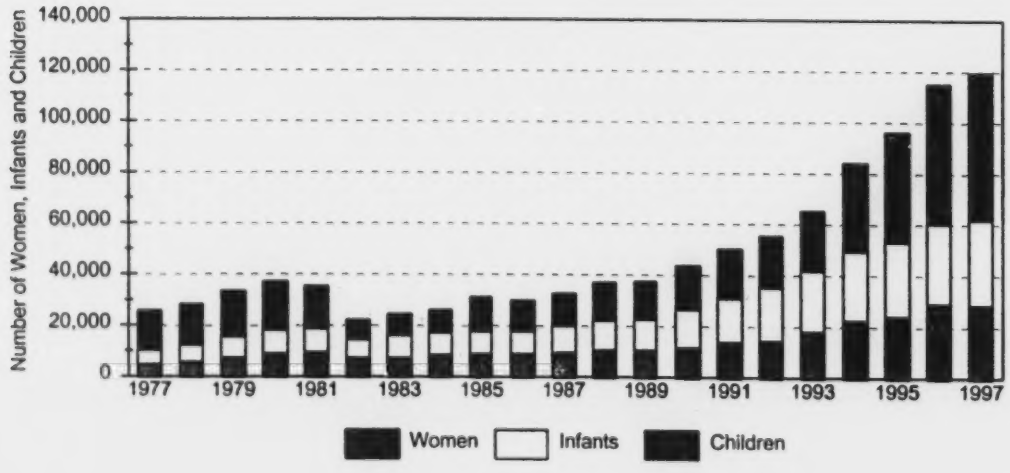


ARIZONA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Arizona. The Arizona WIC program began by serving 7,177 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 119,340 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



ARKANSAS

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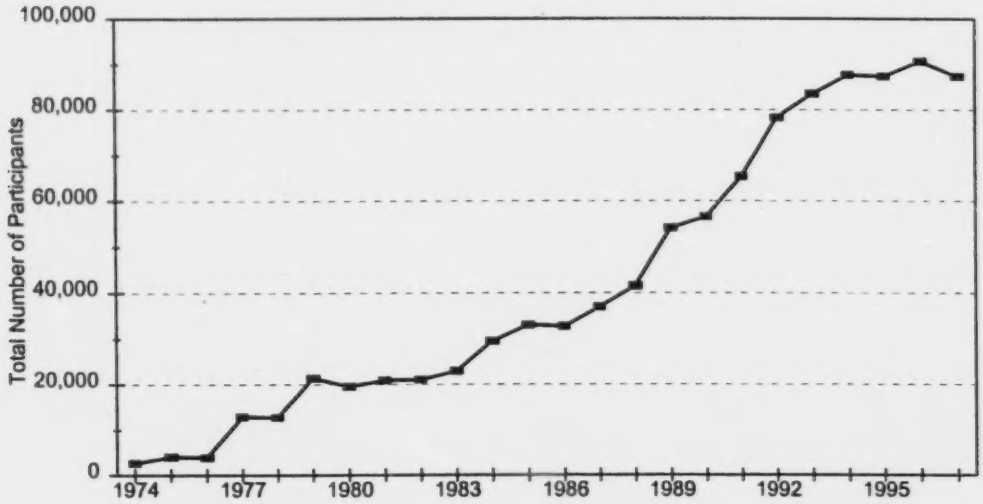
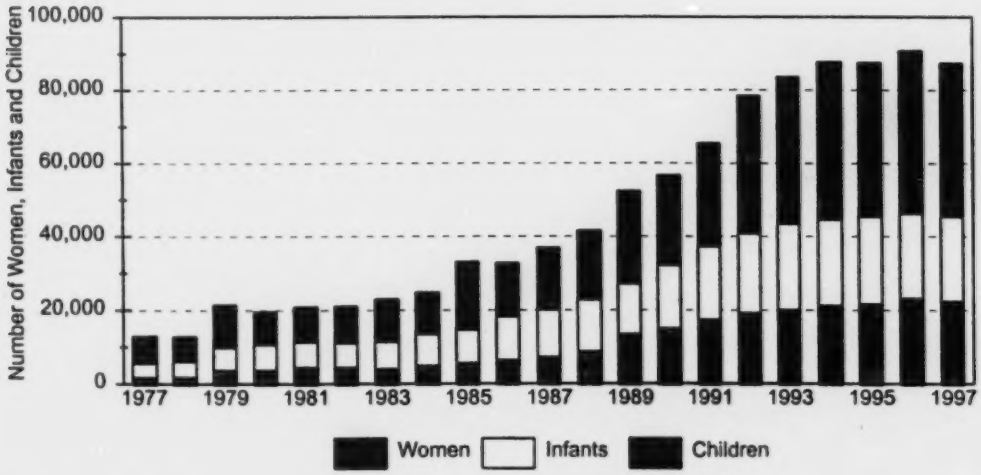
Total WIC Participation



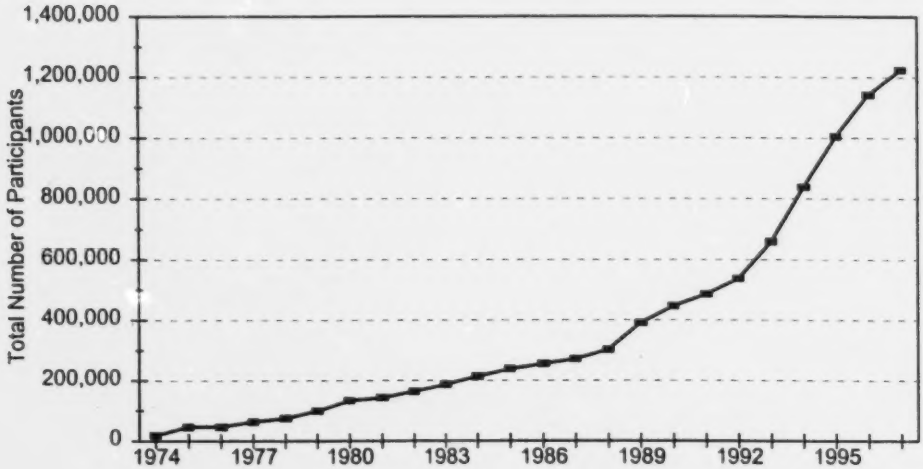
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



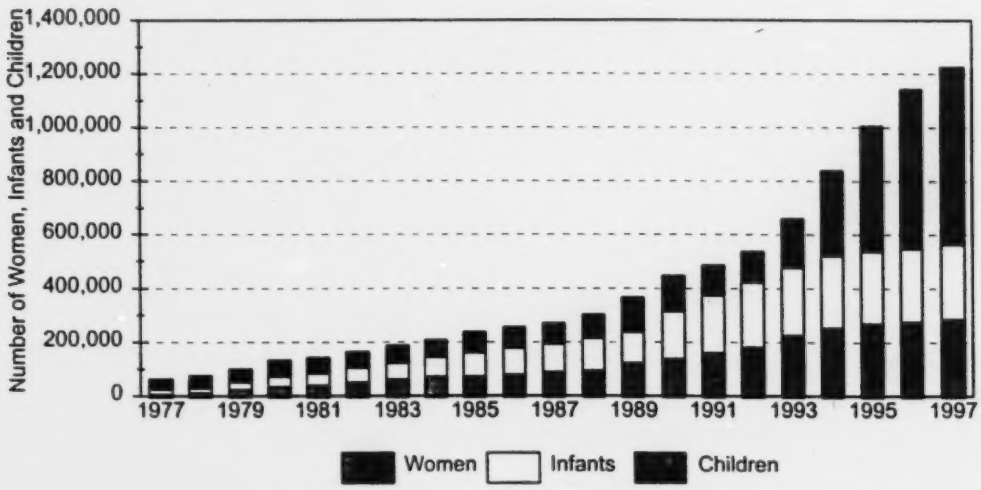
CALIFORNIA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in California. The California WIC program began by serving 17,762 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 1,224,224 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



COLORADO

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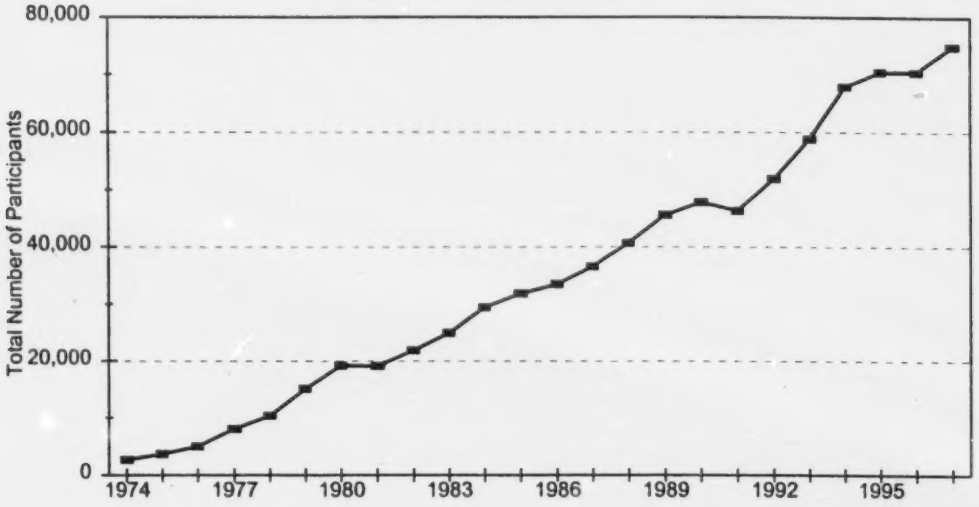
Total WIC Participation



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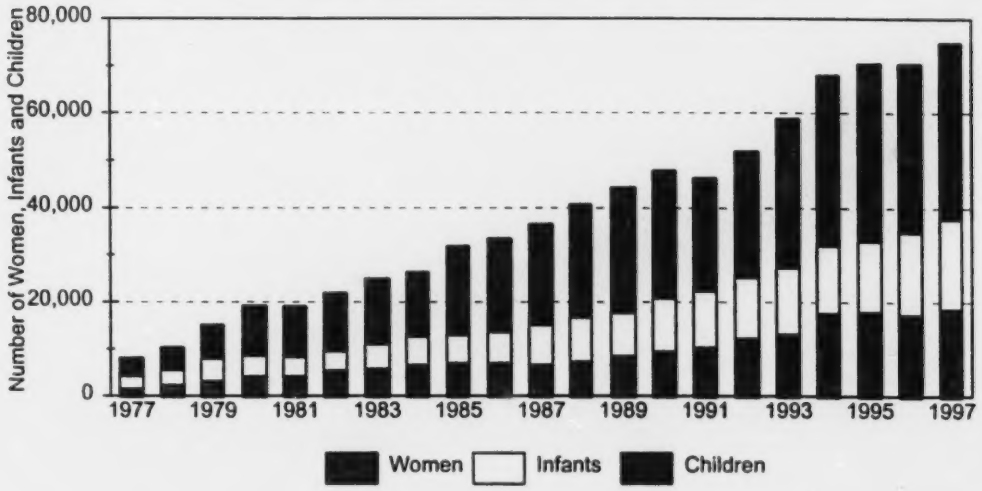
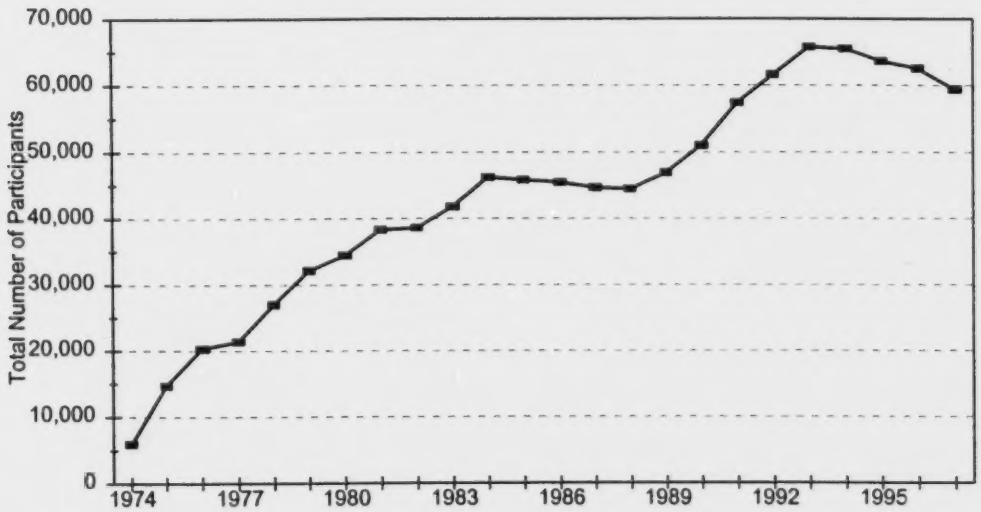


CONNECTICUT

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Connecticut. The Connecticut WIC program began by serving 5,979 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 59,368 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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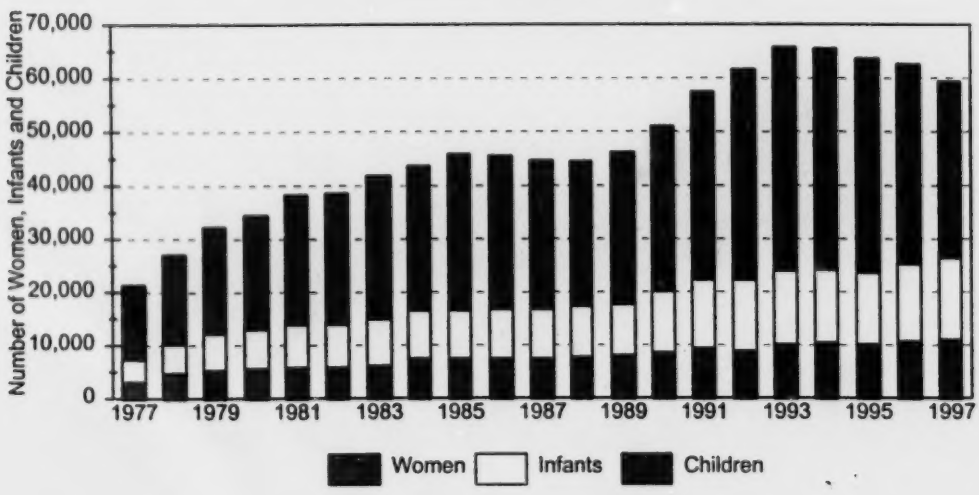

DELAWARE

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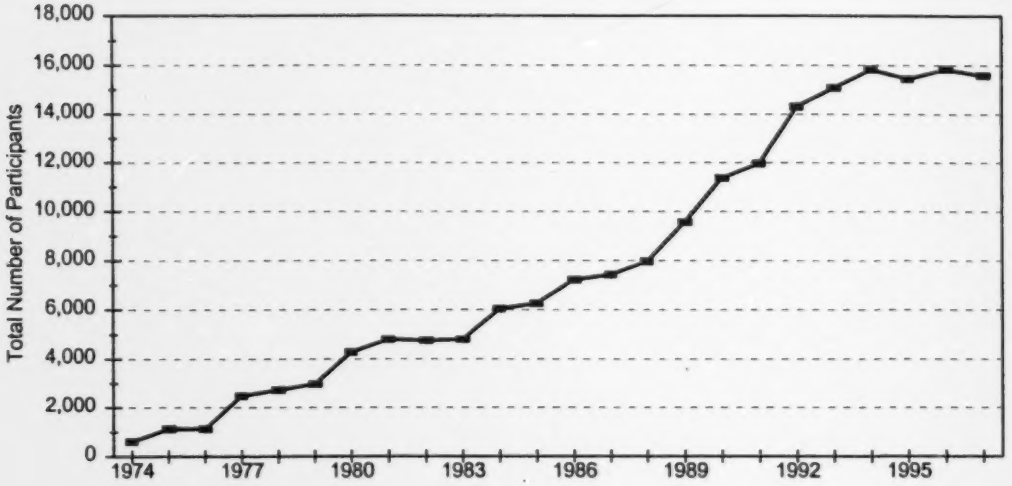
Total WIC Participation



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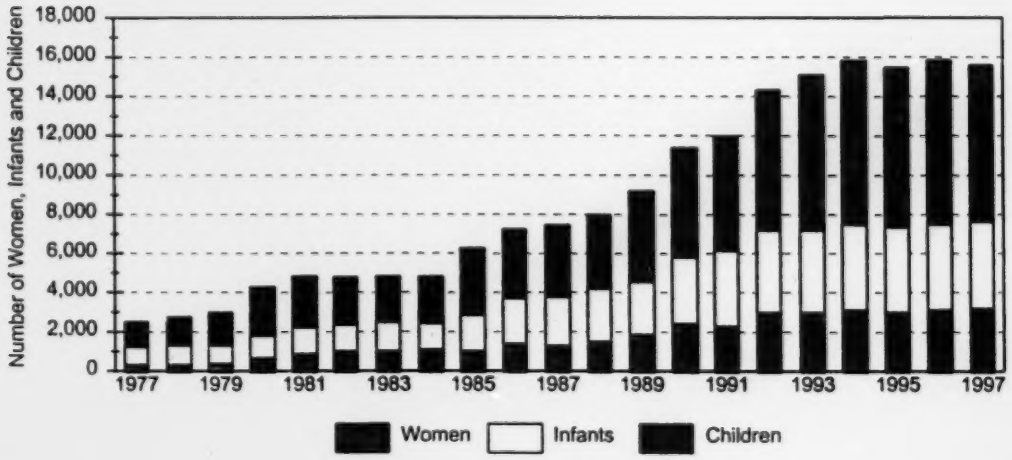
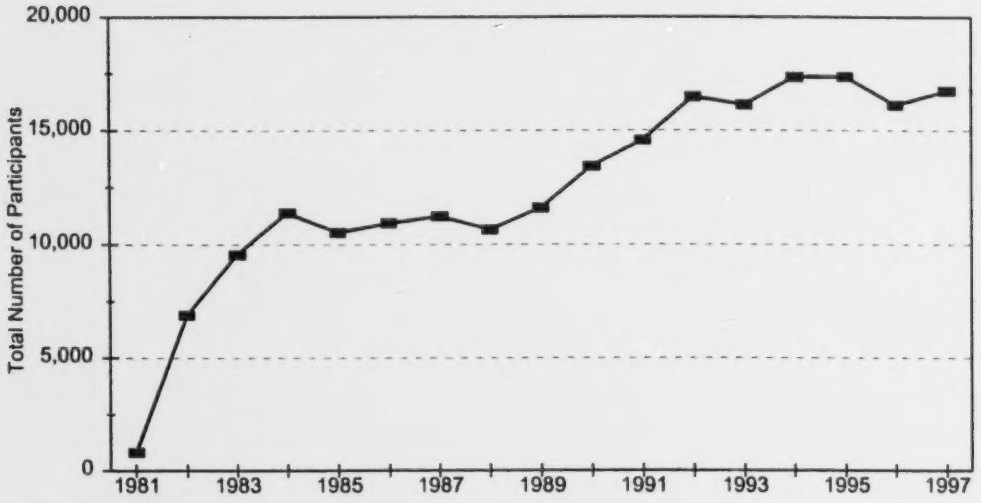


DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Since 1981, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in the District of Columbia. The District of Columbia WIC program began by serving 813 participants in 1981, and has grown to serve 16,747 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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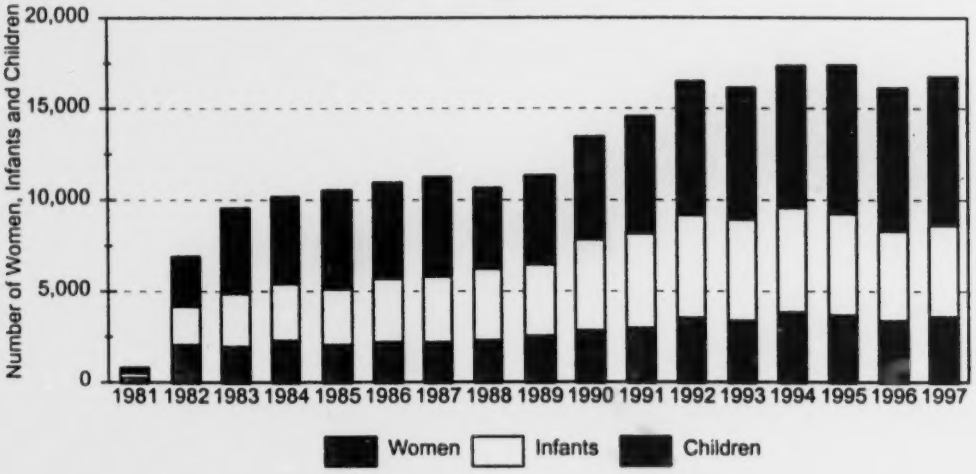
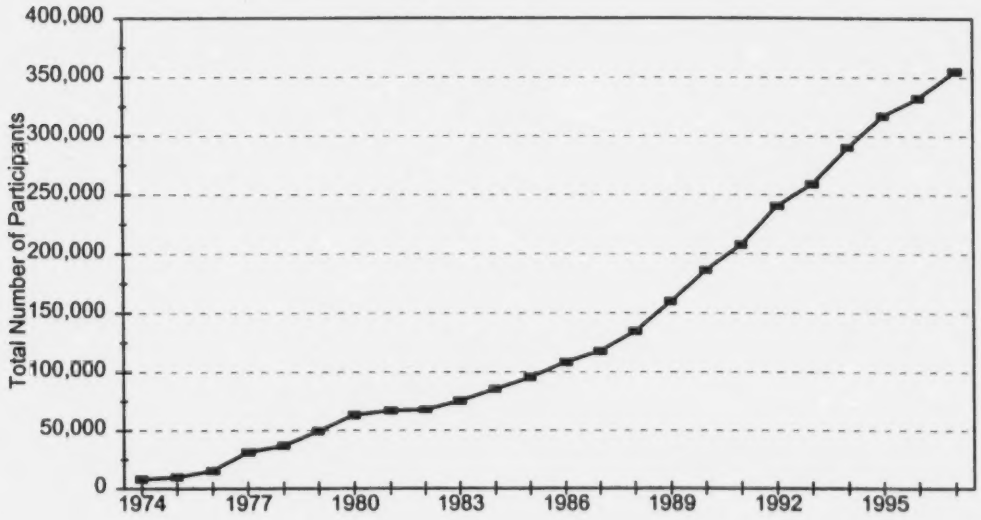


FLORIDA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Florida. The Florida WIC program began by serving 7,968 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 354,833 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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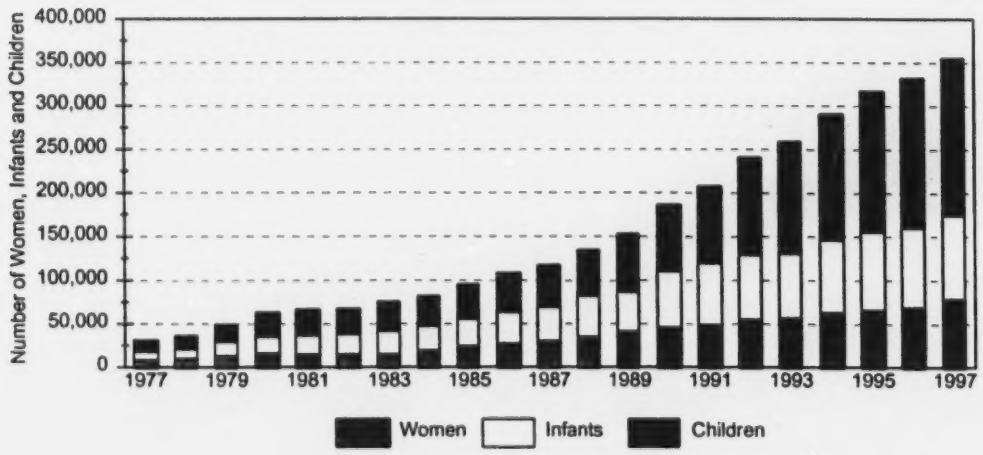

GEORGIA

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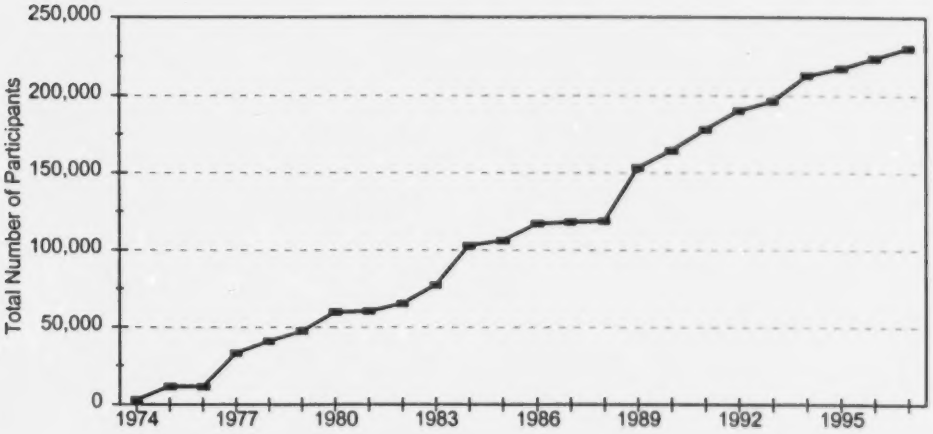
Total WIC Participation



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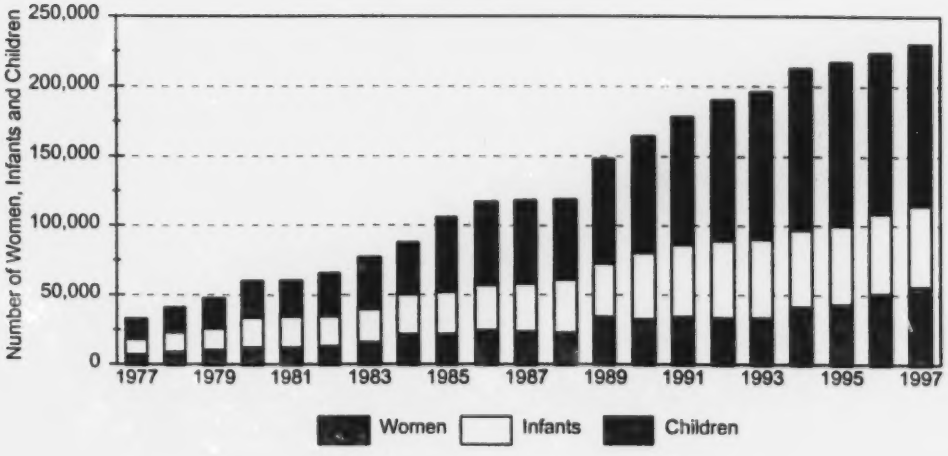
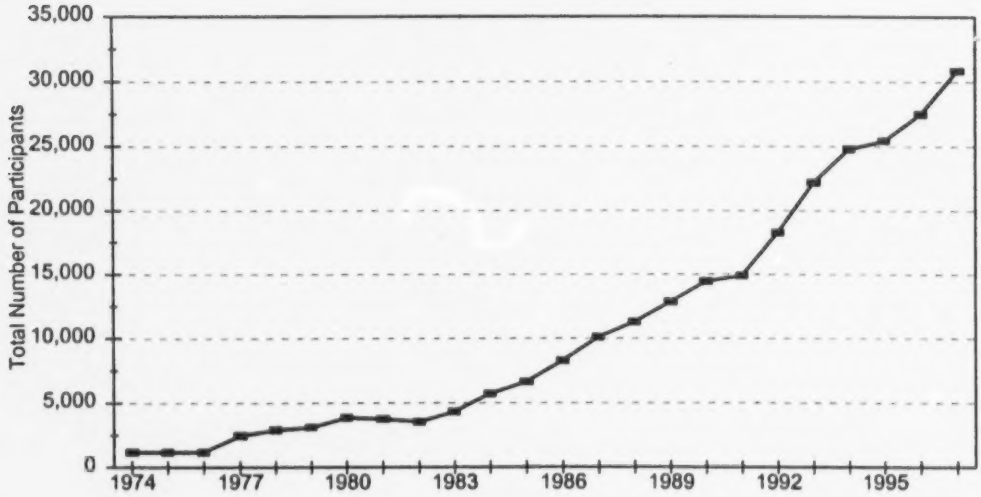


HAWAII

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Hawaii. The Hawaii WIC program began by serving 1,166 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 30,807 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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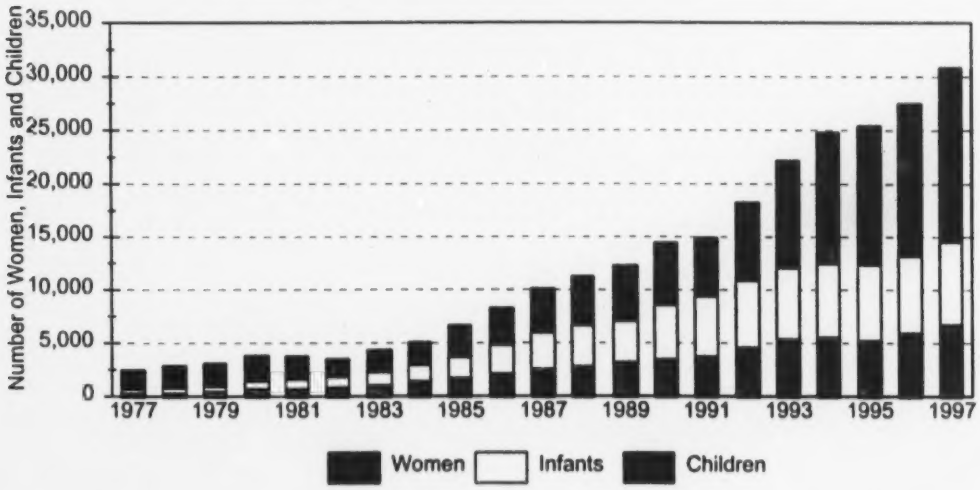
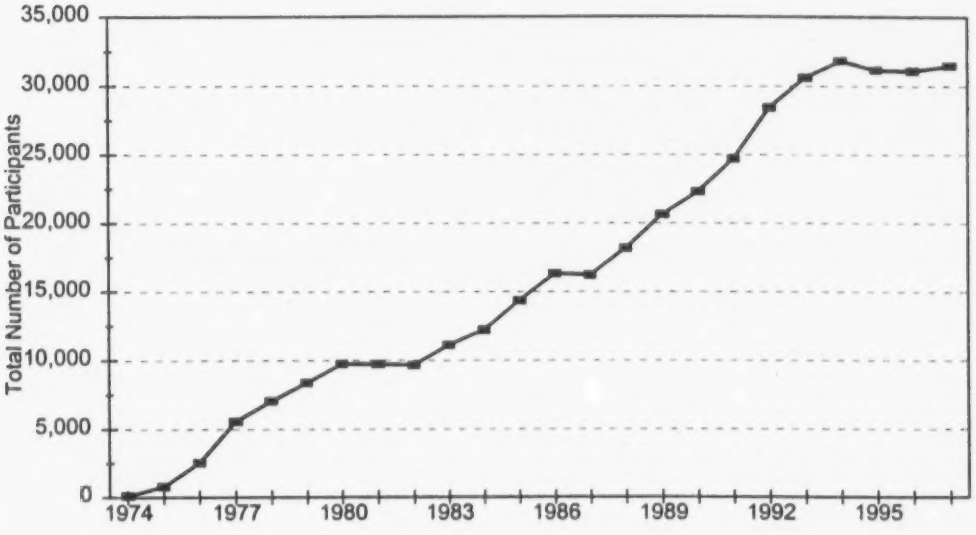


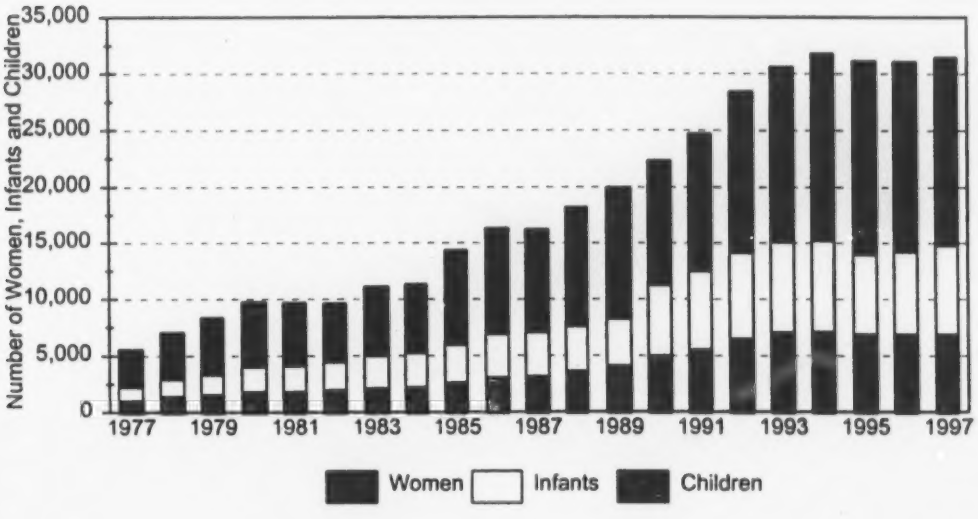
IDAHO

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Idaho. The Idaho WIC program began by serving 100 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 31,475 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

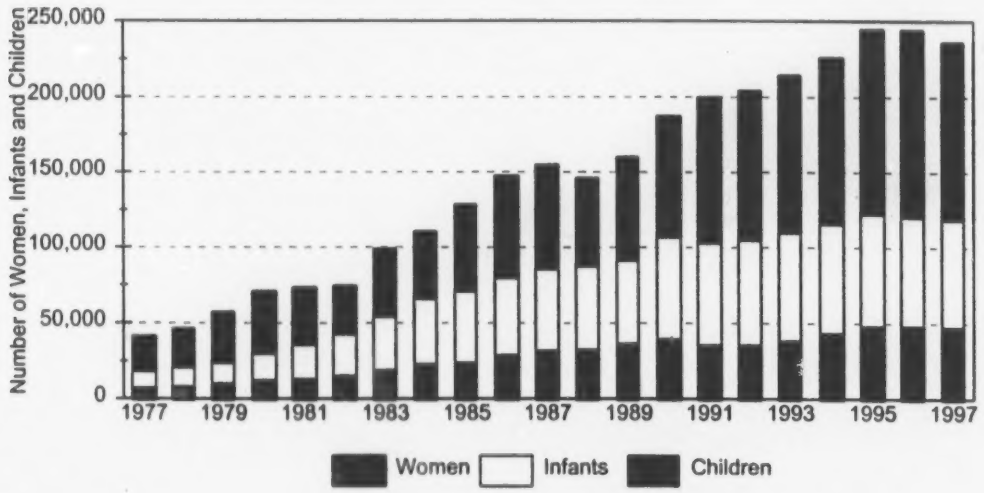


ILLINOIS

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Illinois. The Illinois WIC program began by serving 11,019 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 236,068 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

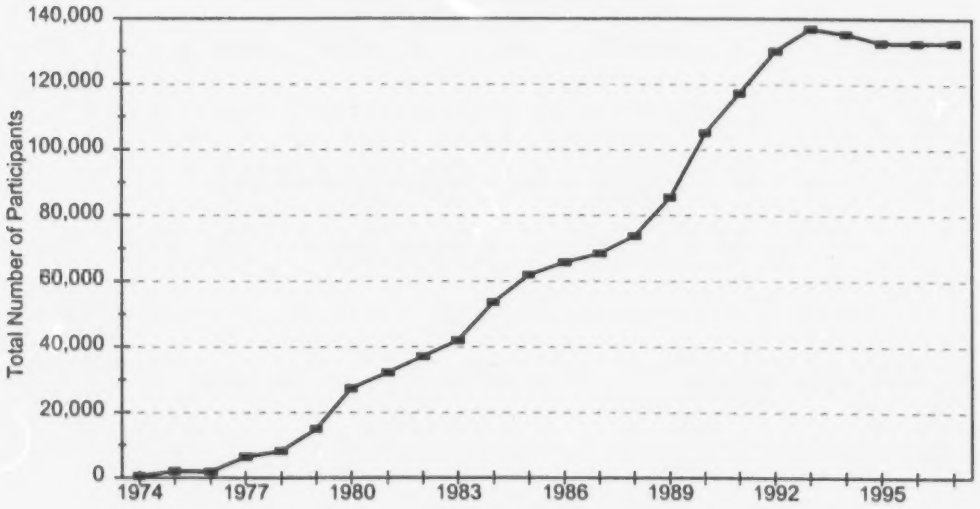
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



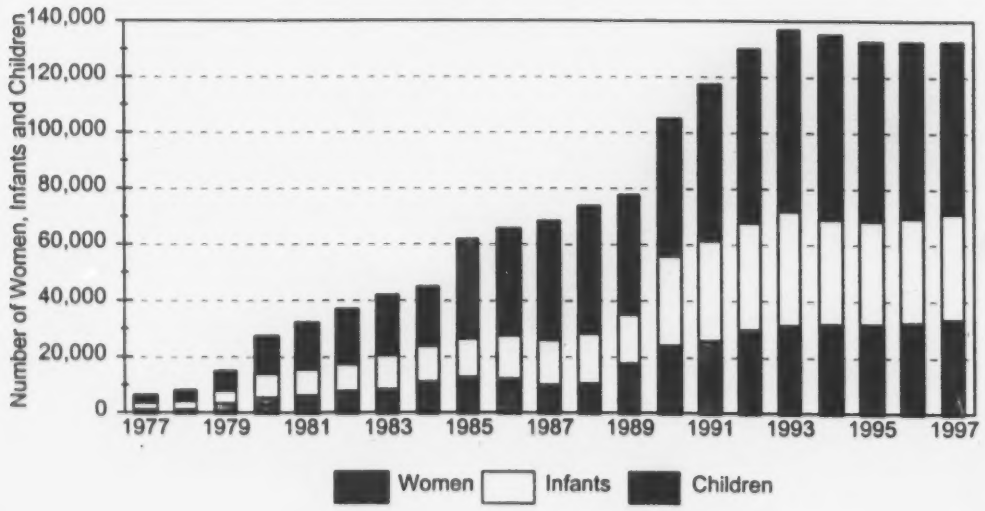
INDIANA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Indiana. The Indiana WIC program began by serving 425 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 132,700 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



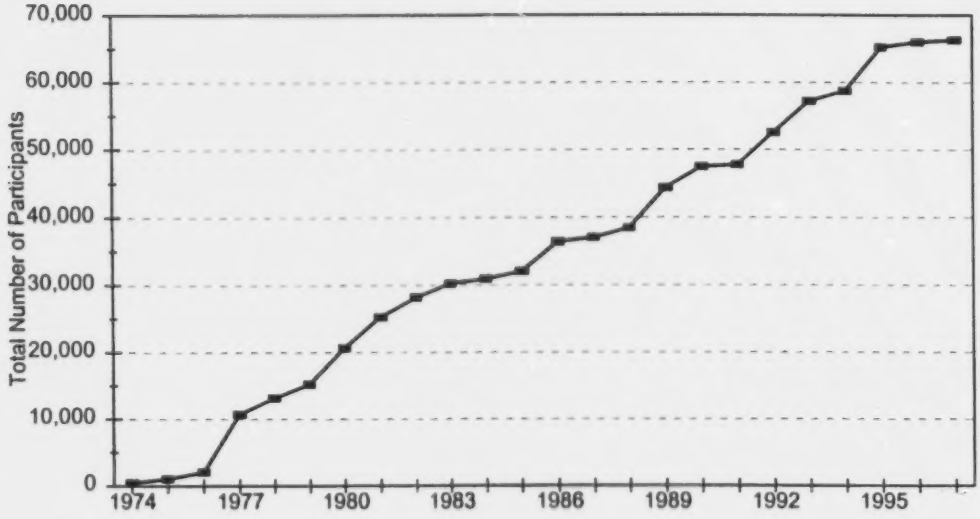
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



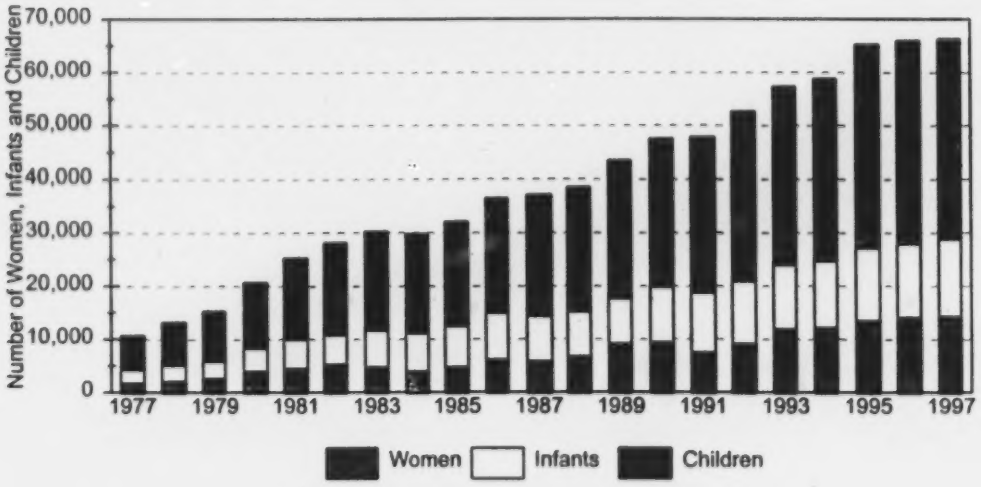
IOWA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Iowa. The Iowa WIC program began by serving 428 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 66,293 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



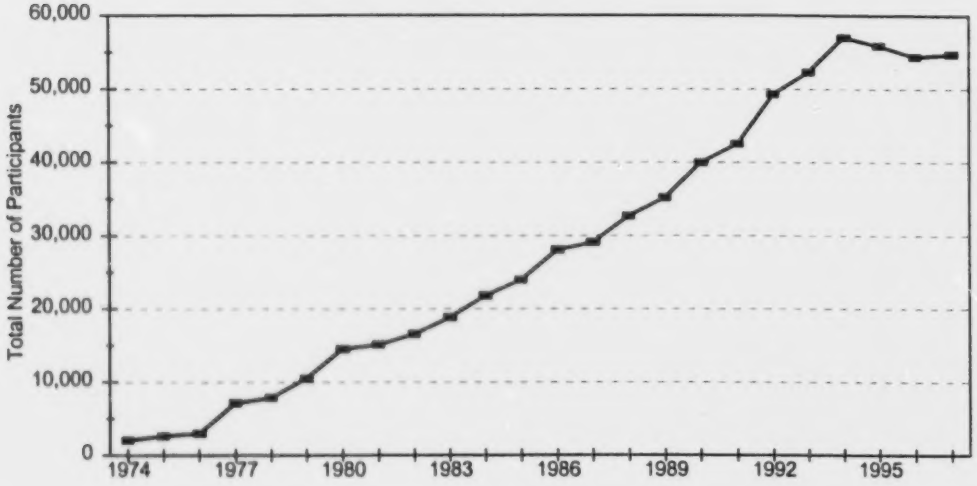
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



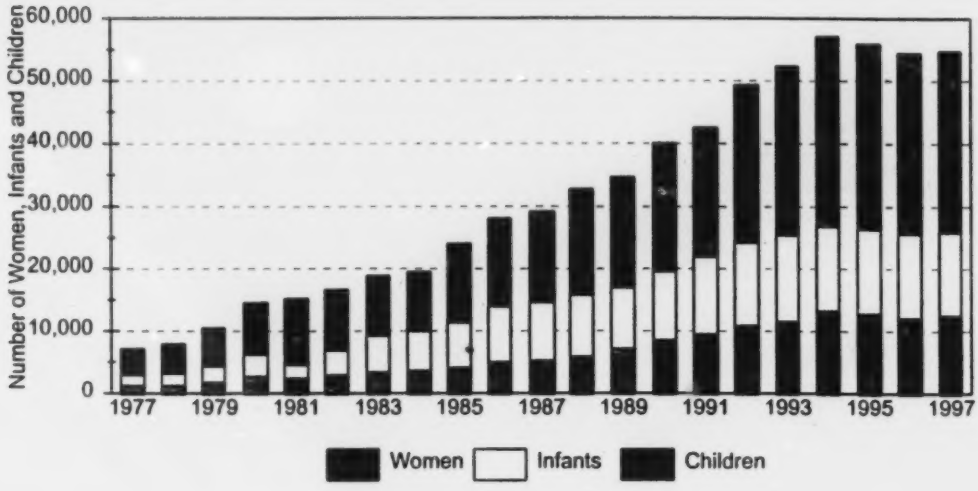
KANSAS

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Kansas. The Kansas WIC program began by serving 2,067 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 54,754 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

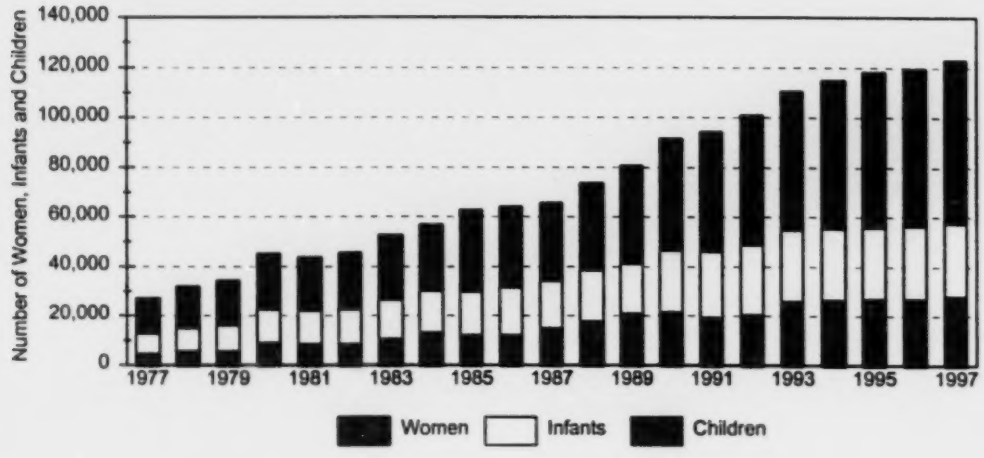


KENTUCKY

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Kentucky. The Kentucky WIC program began by serving 8,154 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 122,948 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

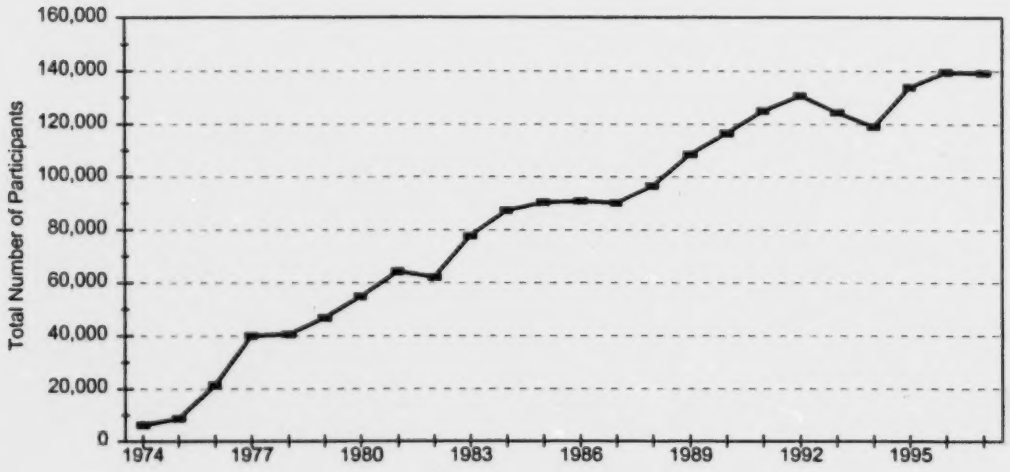
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



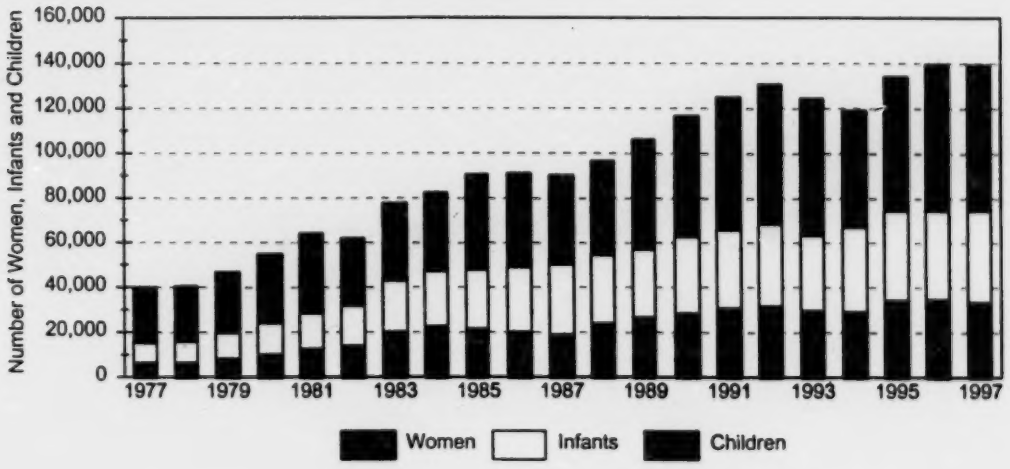
LOUISIANA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Louisiana. The Louisiana WIC program began by serving 6,127 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 139,223 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



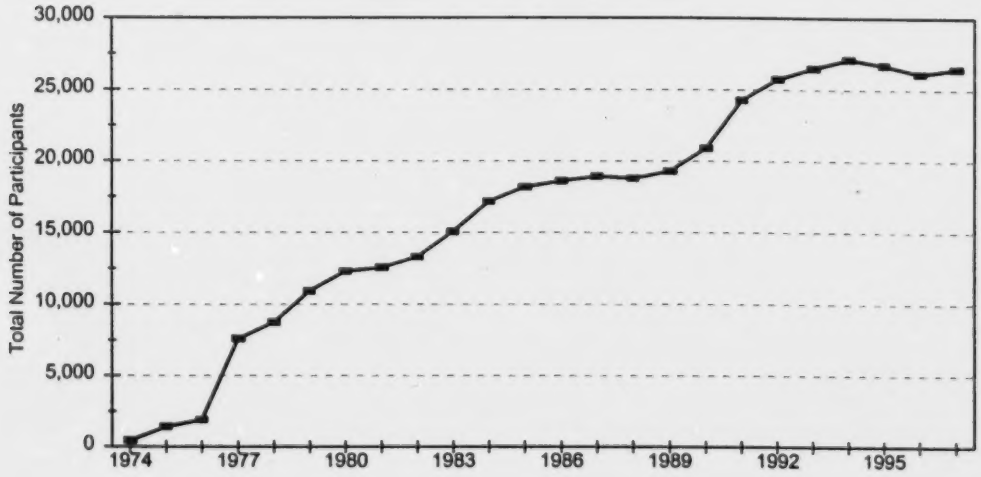
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



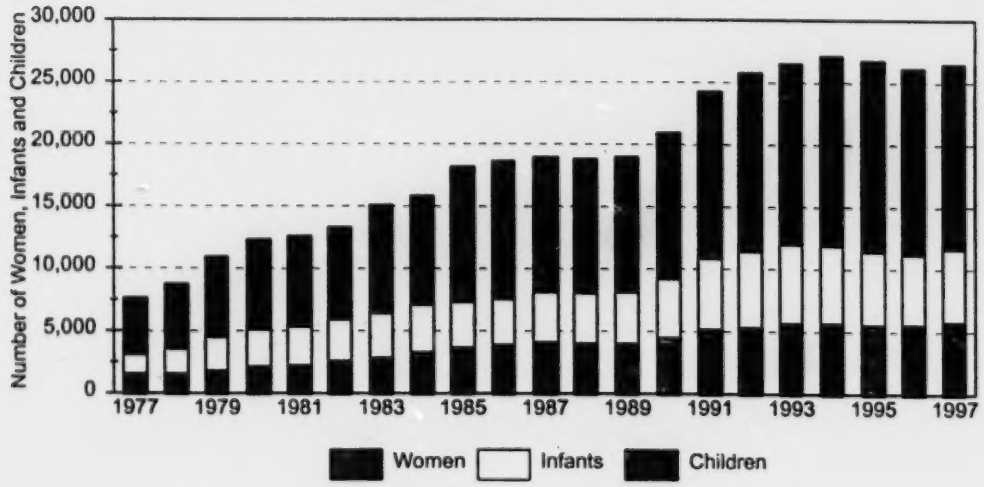
MAINE

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Maine. The Maine WIC program began by serving 432 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 26,477 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



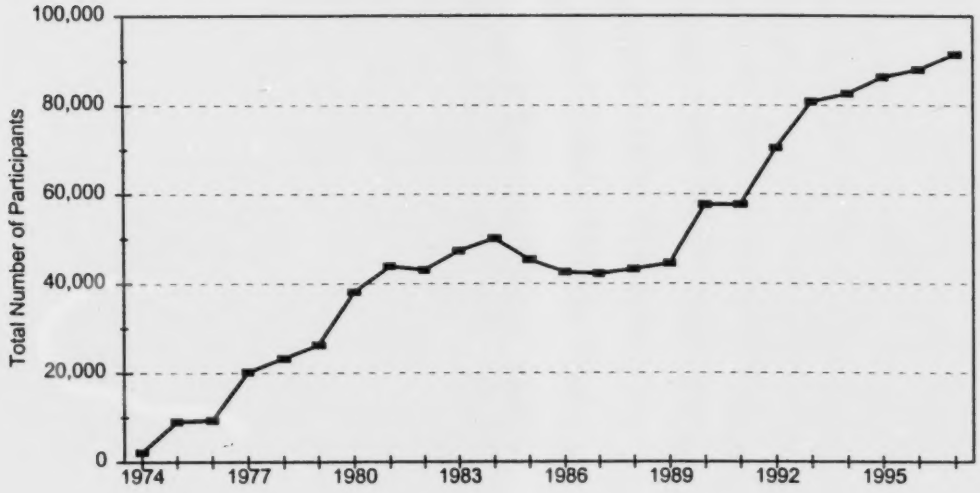
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



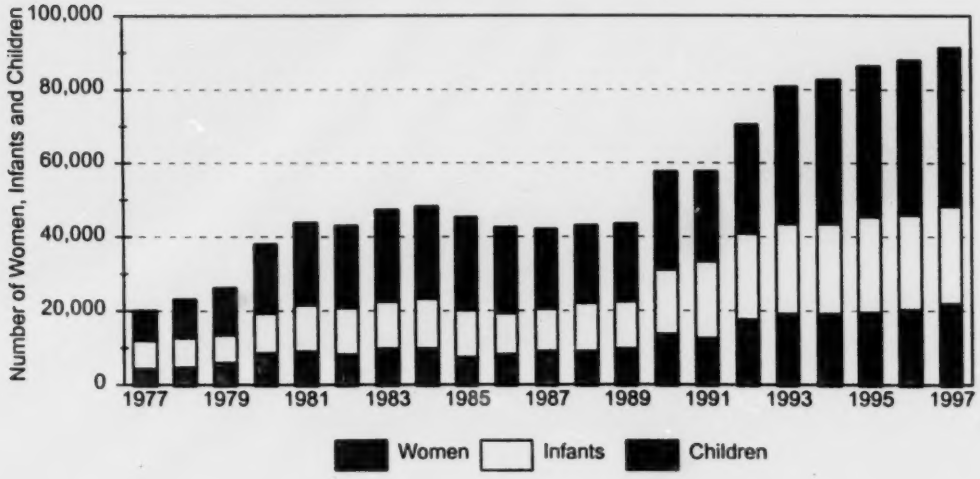
MARYLAND

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Maryland. The Maryland WIC program began by serving 2,216 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 91,412 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



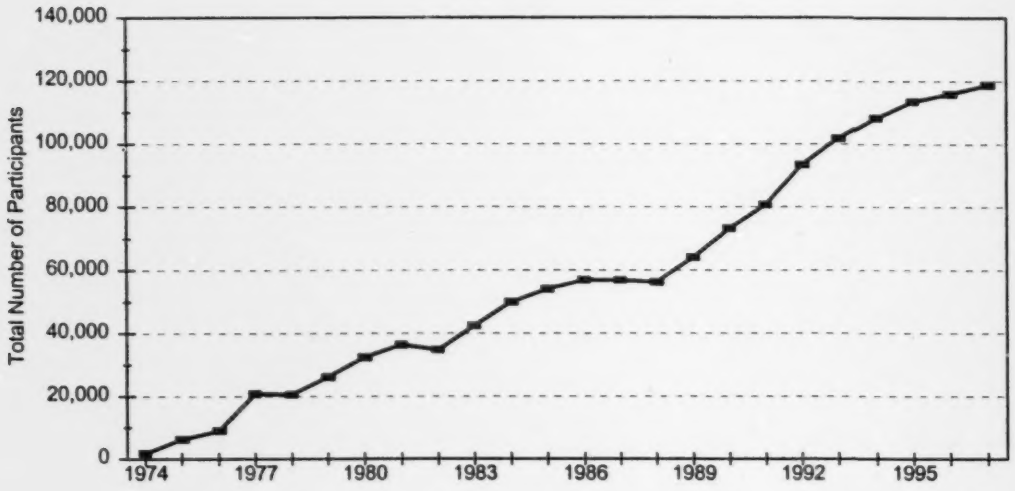
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



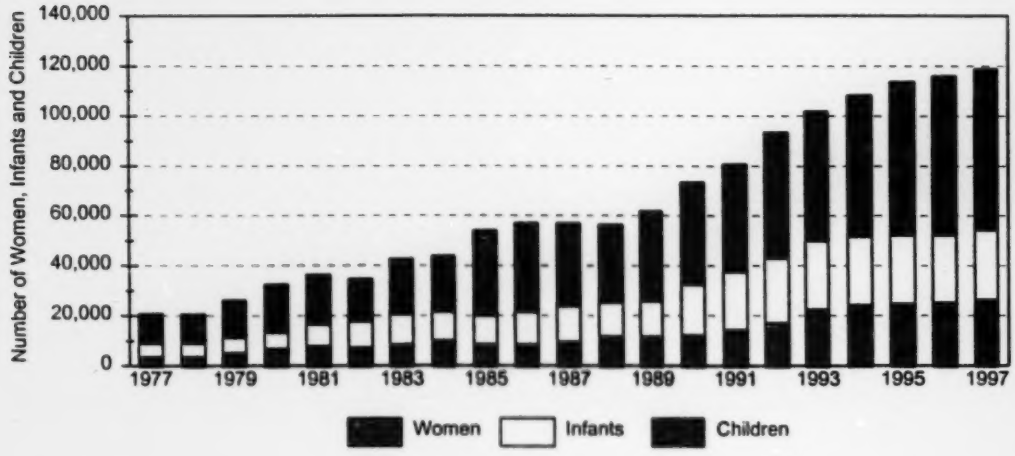
MASSACHUSETTS

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Massachusetts. The Massachusetts WIC program began by serving 1,732 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 118,818 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



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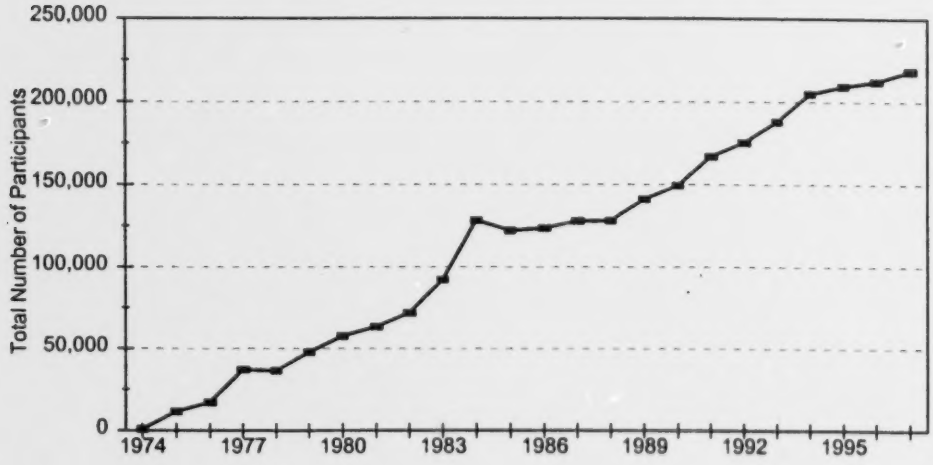
MICHIGAN

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Michigan. The Michigan WIC program began by serving 860 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 218,371 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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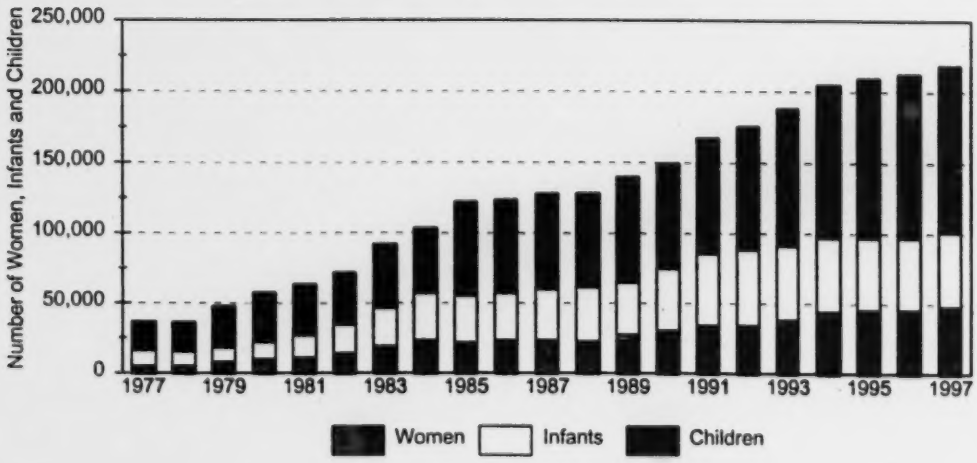
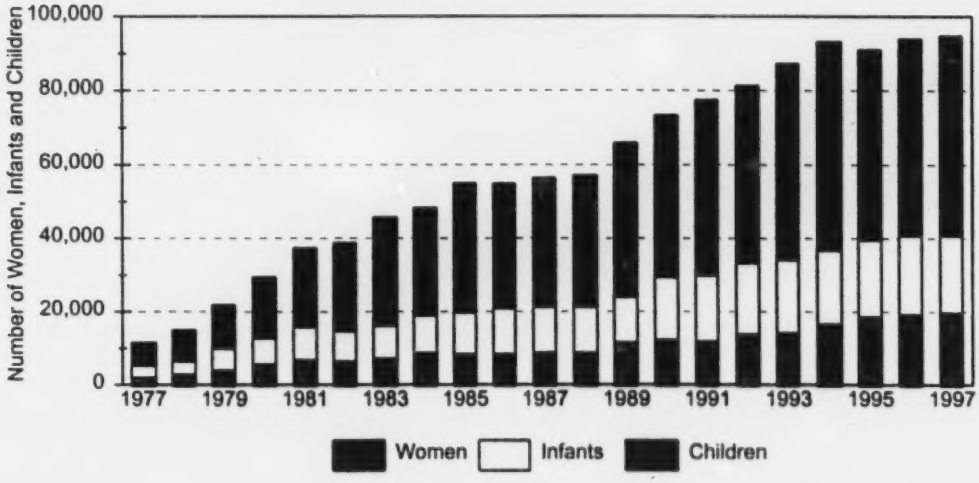


MINNESOTA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Minnesota. The Minnesota WIC program began by serving 2,308 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 94,807 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

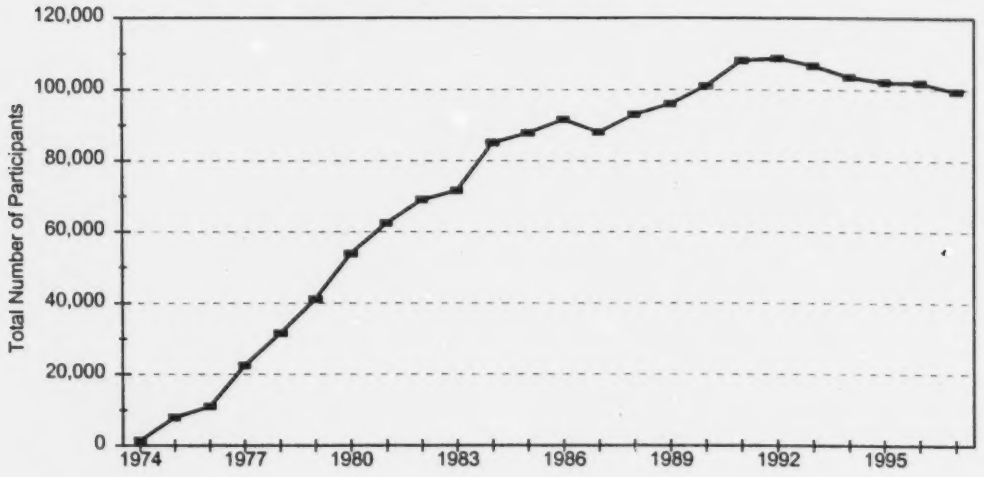
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



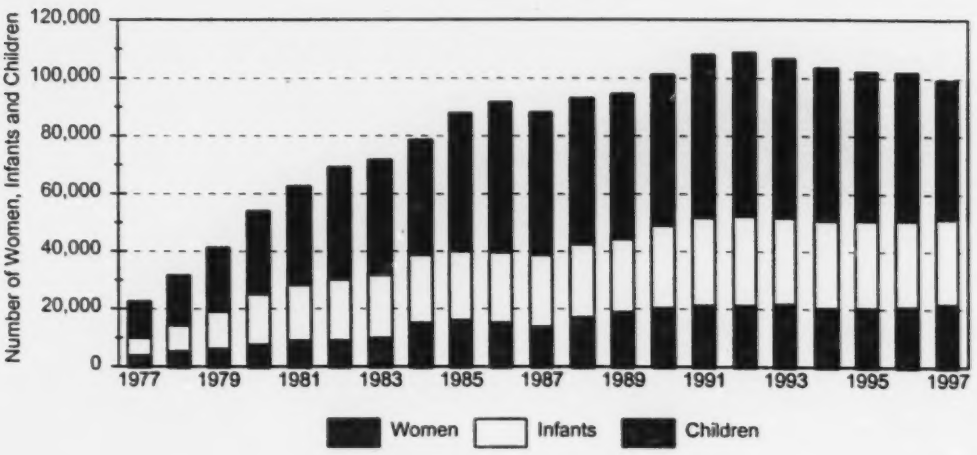
MISSISSIPPI

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits of low-income women, infants and children in Mississippi. The Mississippi WIC program began by serving 1,445 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 99,456 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

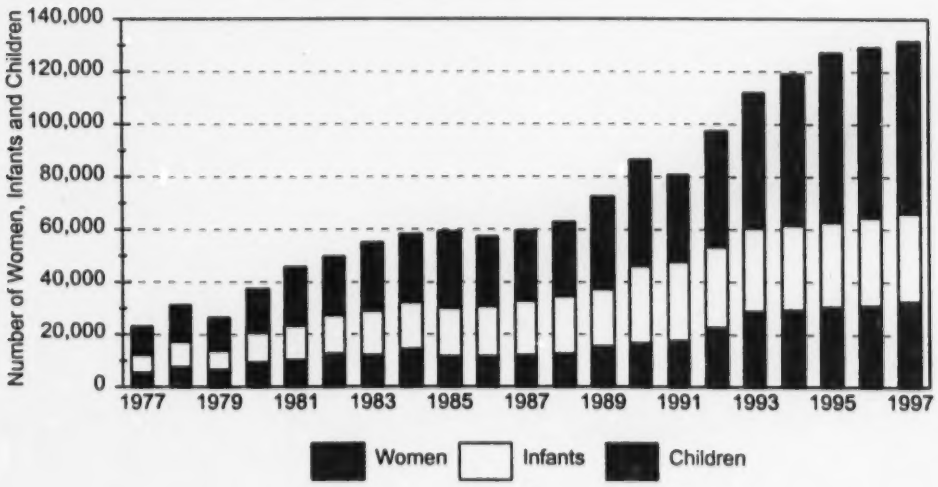


MISSOURI

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Missouri. The Missouri WIC program began by serving 246 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 131,638 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

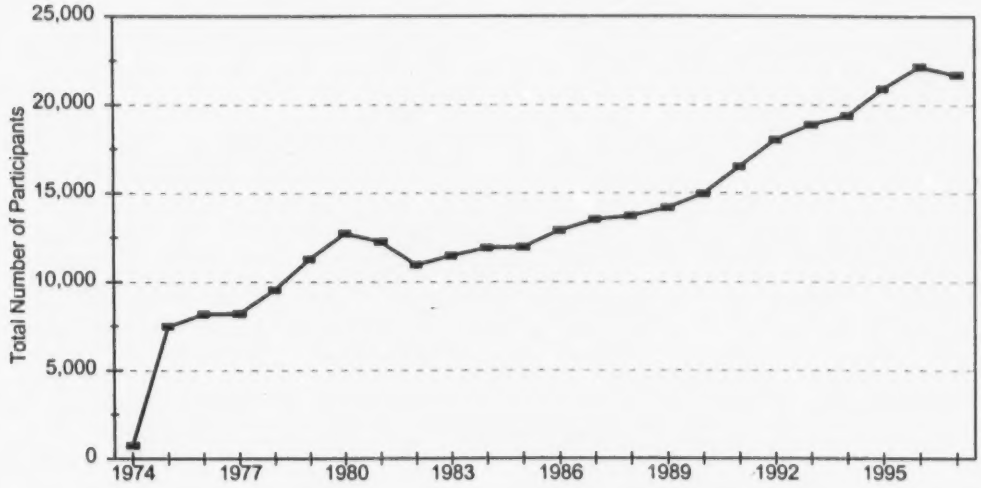
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



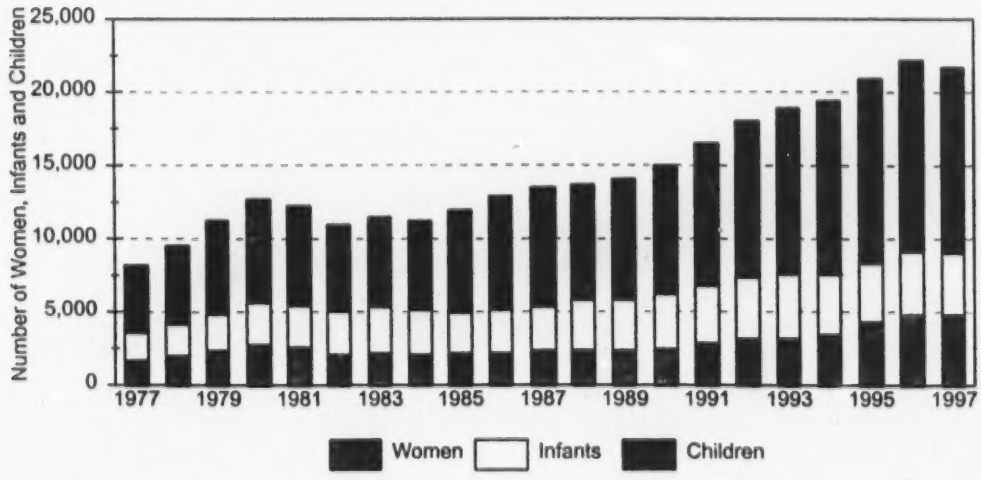
MONTANA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Montana. The Montana WIC program began by serving 744 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 21,679 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



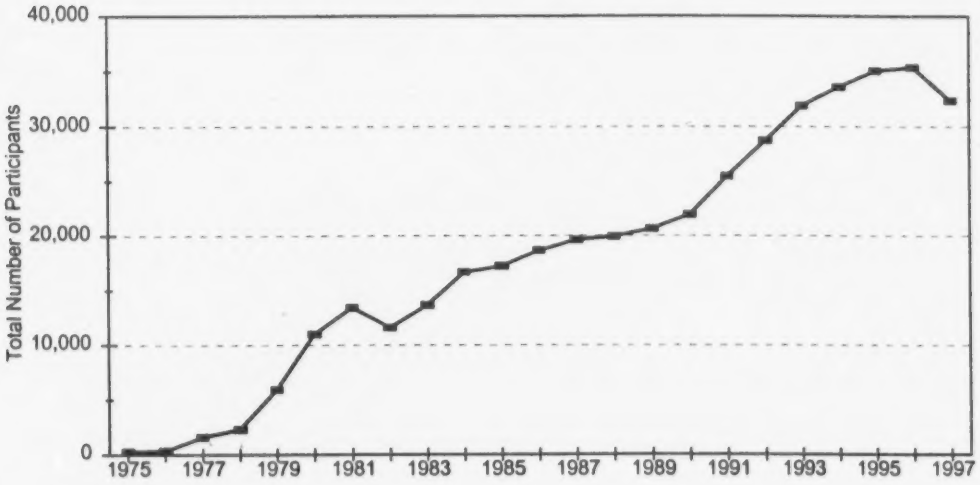
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



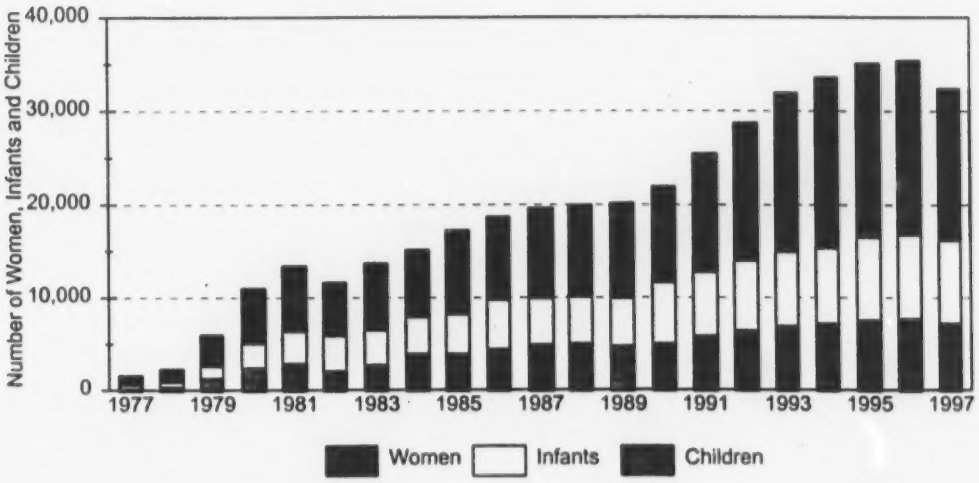
NEBRASKA

Since 1975, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Nebraska. The Nebraska WIC program began by serving 277 participants in 1975, and has grown to serve 32,351 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



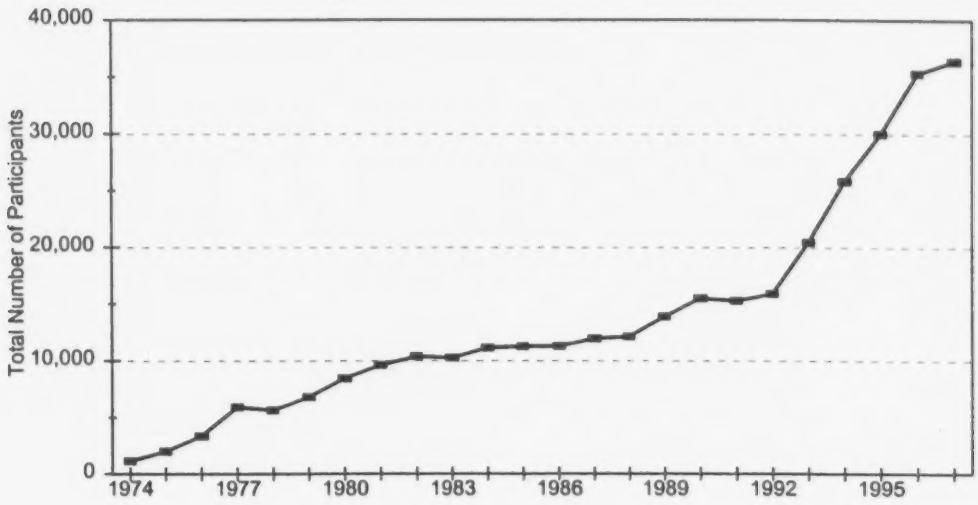
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



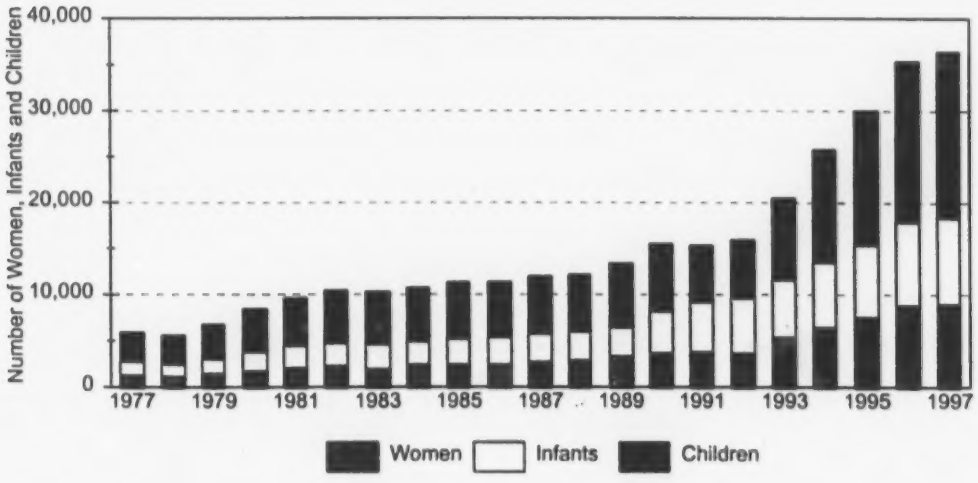
NEVADA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Nevada. The Alaska WIC program began by serving 1,129 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 36,399 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



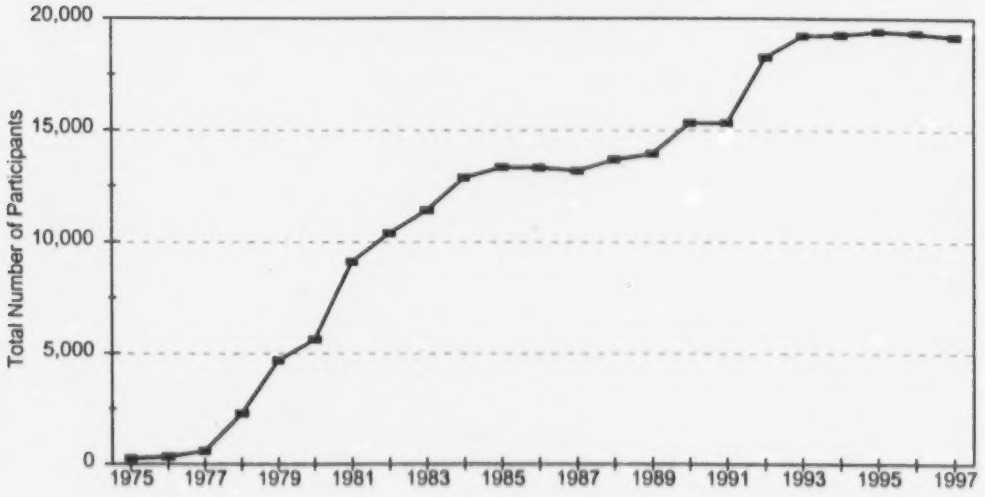
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



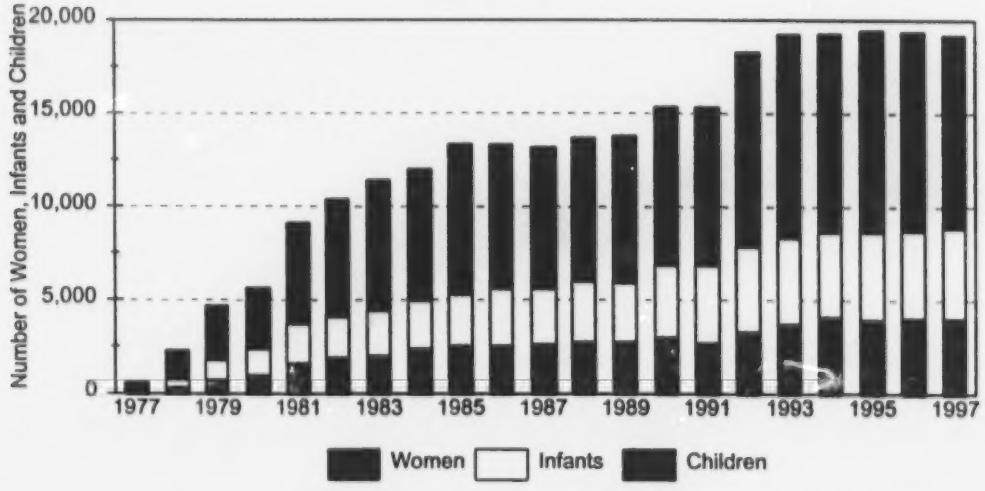
NEW HAMPSHIRE

Since 1975, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire WIC program began by serving 254 participants in 1975, and has grown to serve 19,179 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

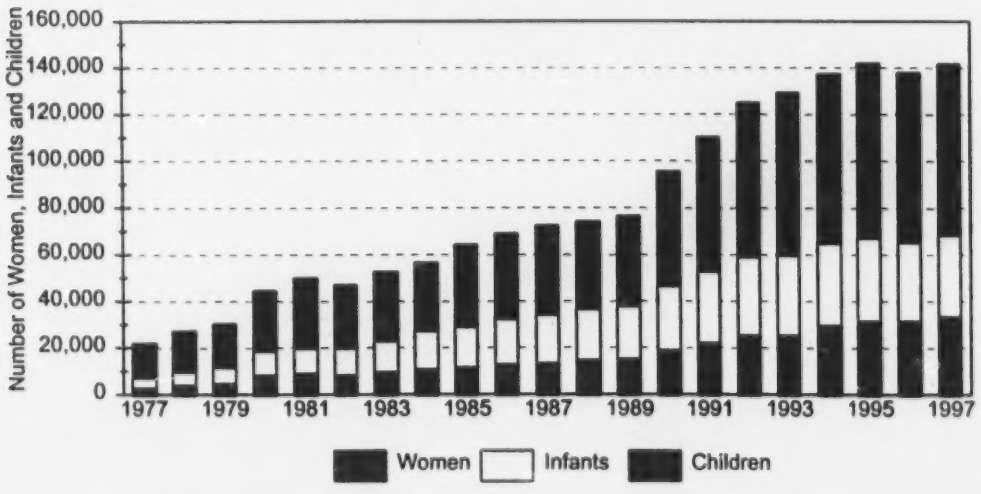


NEW JERSEY

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in New Jersey. The New Jersey WIC program began by serving 3,845 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 141,514 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

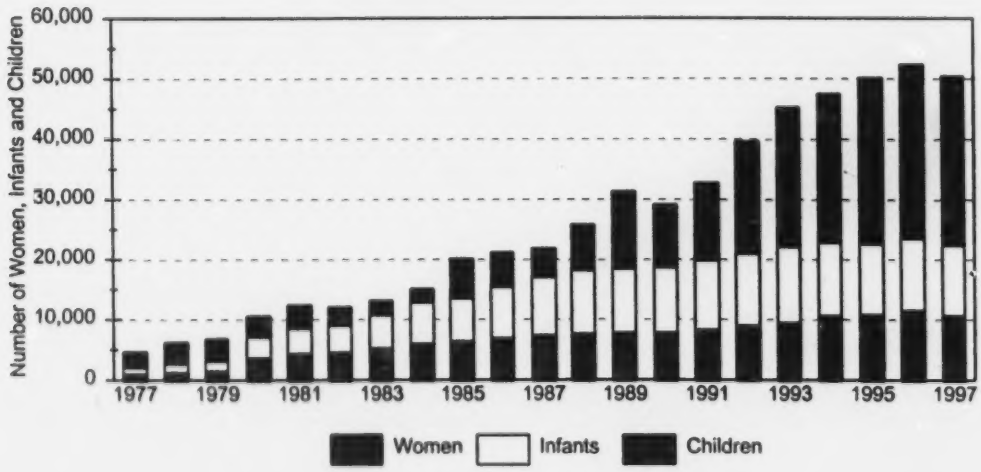


NEW MEXICO

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in New Mexico. The New Mexico WIC program began by serving 2,144 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 50,430 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC

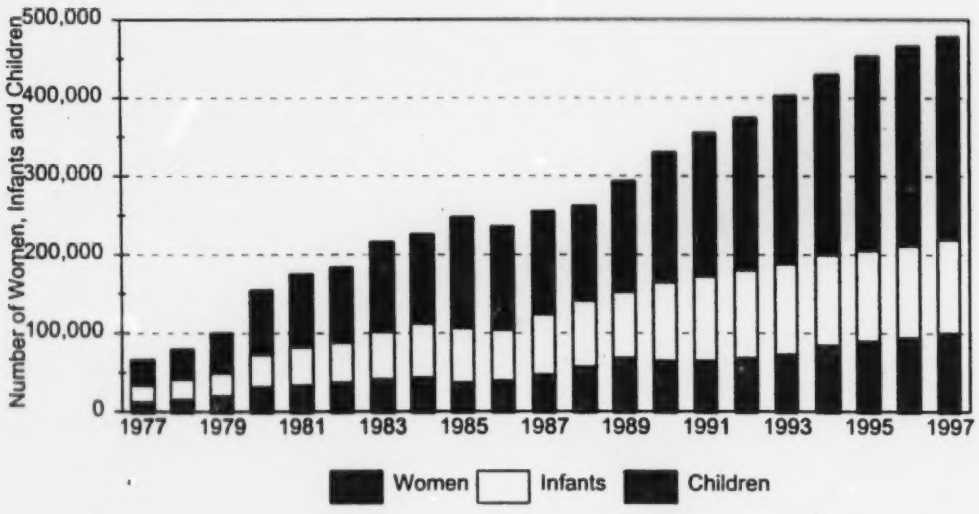


NEW YORK

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in New York. The New York WIC program began by serving 27,106 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 478,668 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation

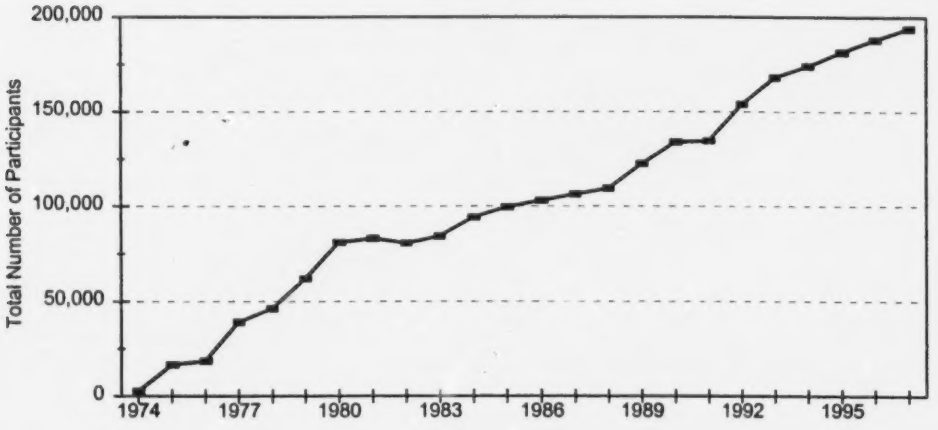
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



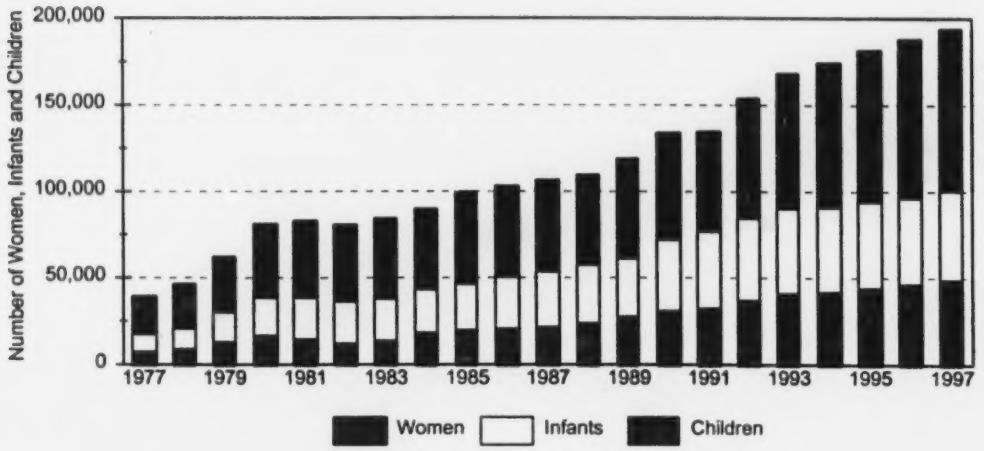
NORTH CAROLINA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in North Carolina. The North Carolina WIC program began by serving 2,635 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 193,883 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



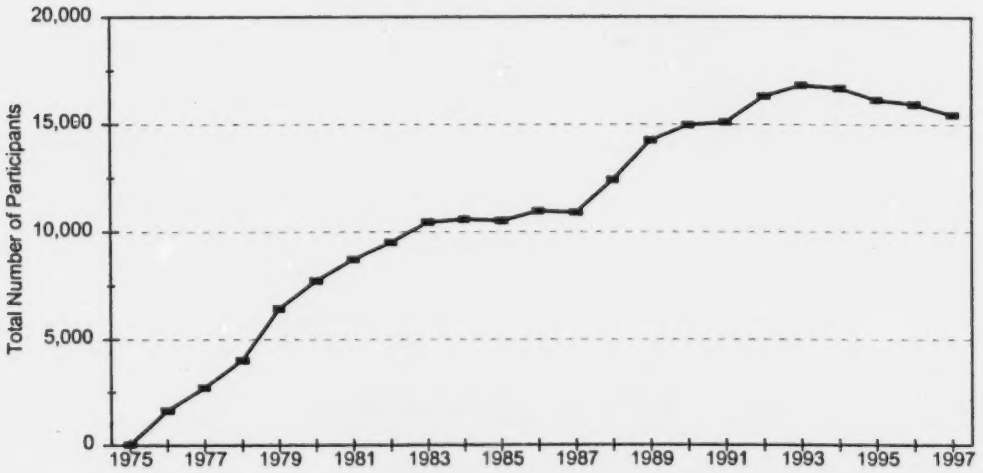
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



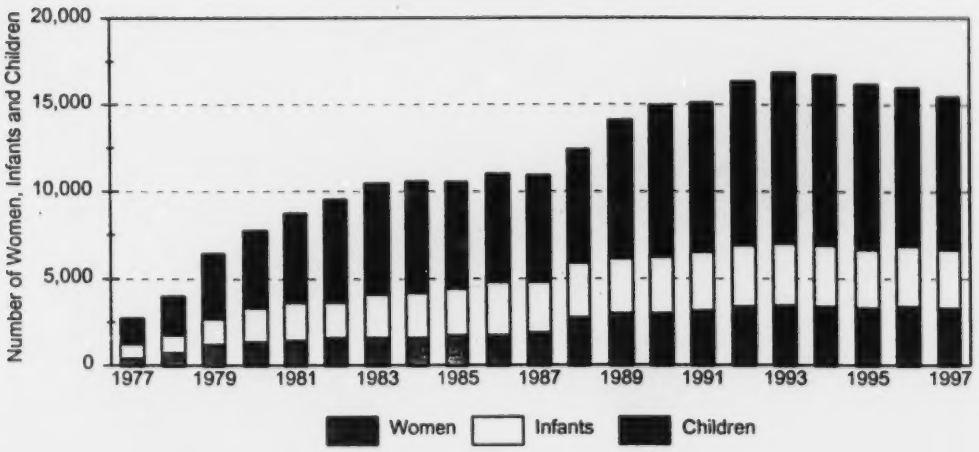
NORTH DAKOTA

Since 1975, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in North Dakota. The North Dakota WIC program began by serving 32 participants in 1975, and has grown to serve 15,444 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



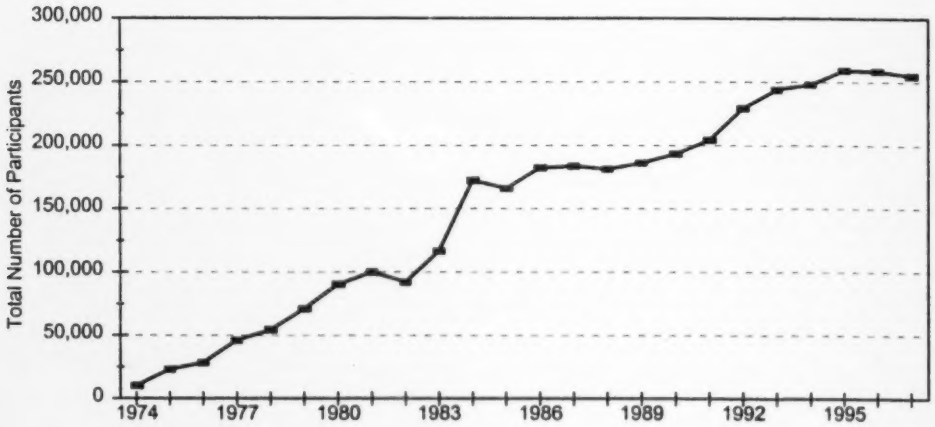
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



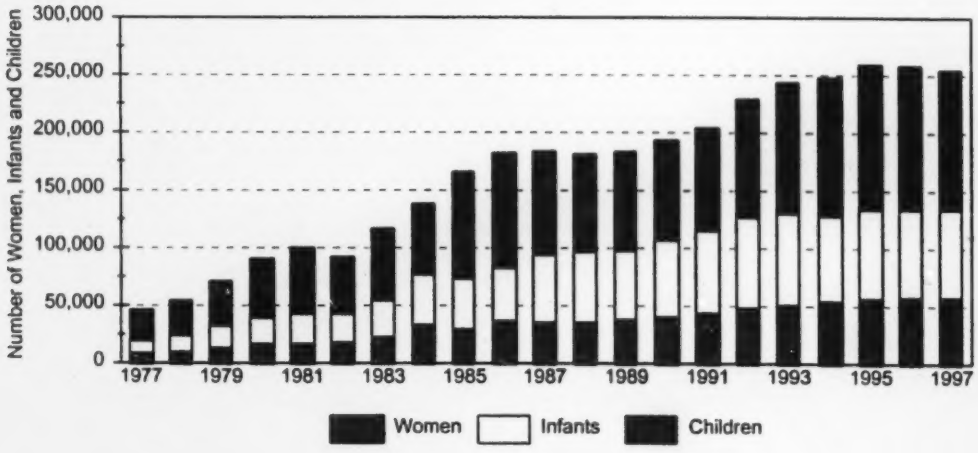
OHIO

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Ohio. The Ohio WIC program began by serving 10,175 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 254,668 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



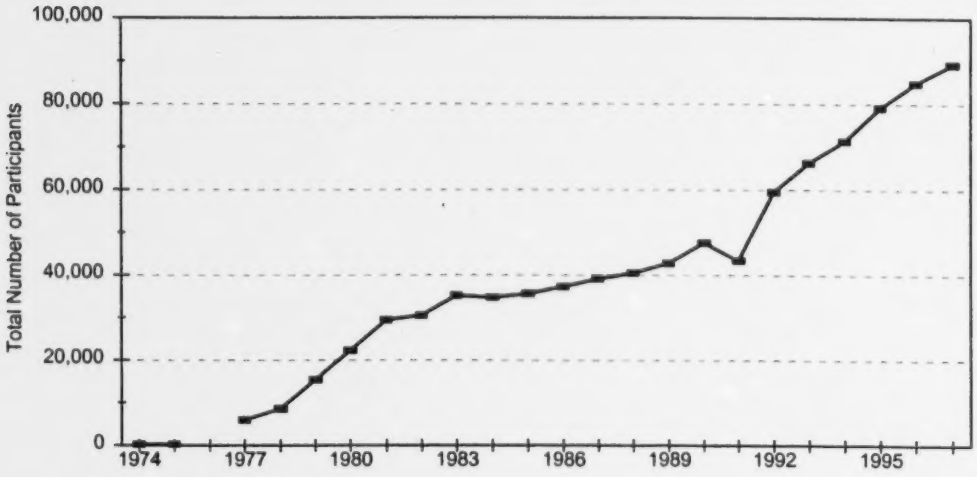
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



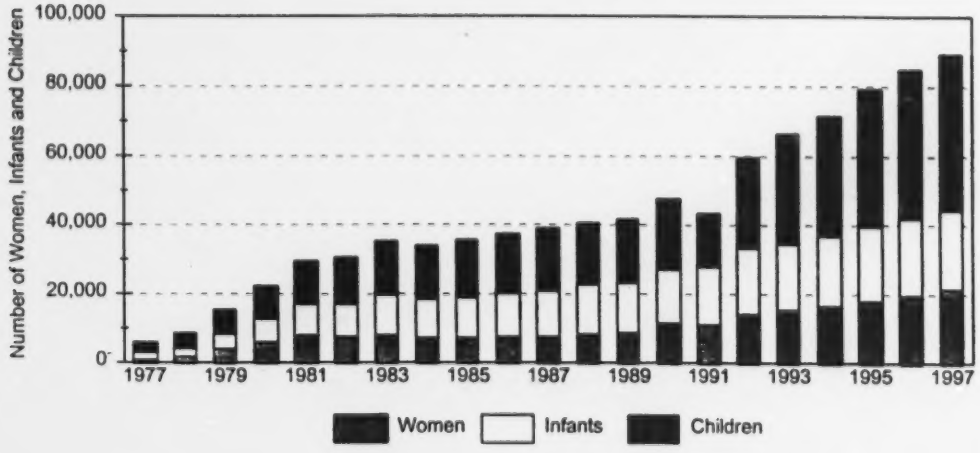
OKLAHOMA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma WIC program began by serving 243 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 89,238 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



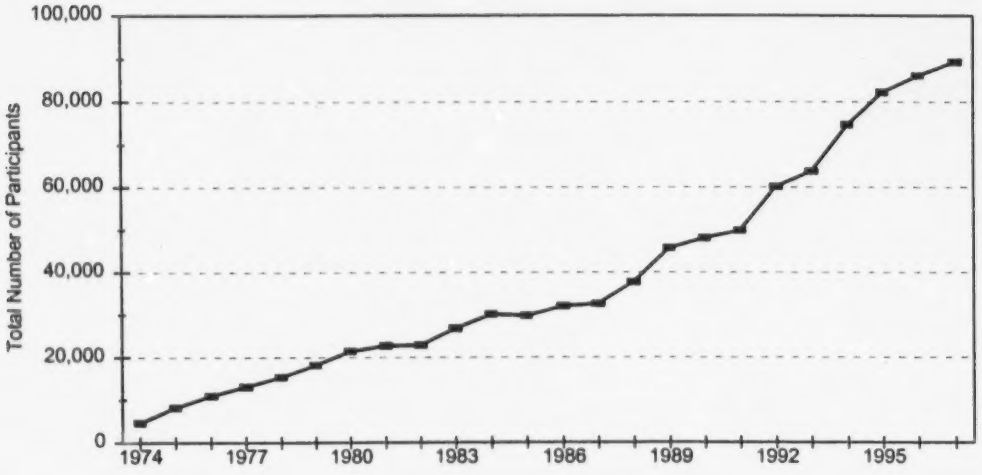
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



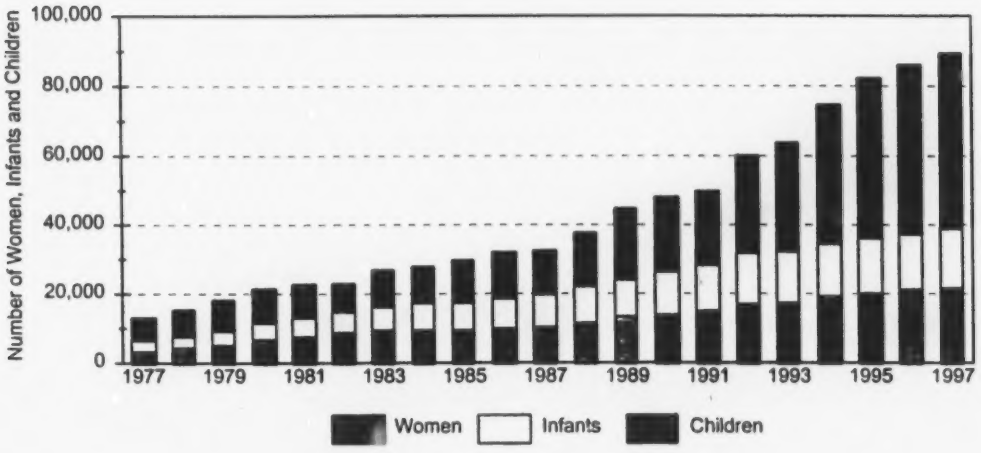
OREGON

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Oregon. The Oregon WIC program began by serving 4,641 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 89,299 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



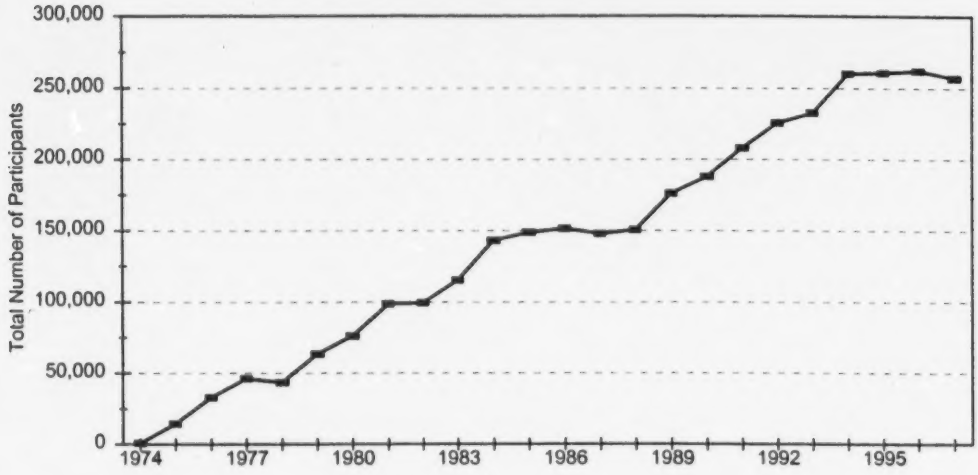
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



PENNSYLVANIA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania WIC program began by serving 879 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 257,018 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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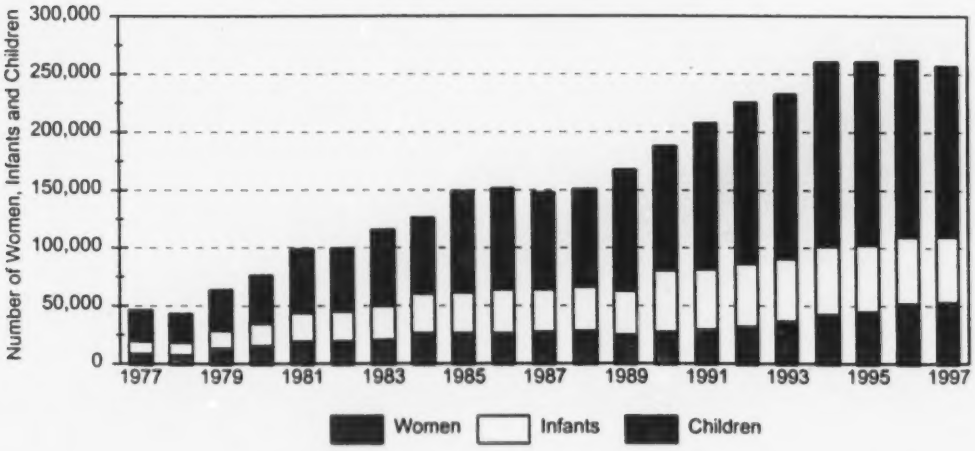
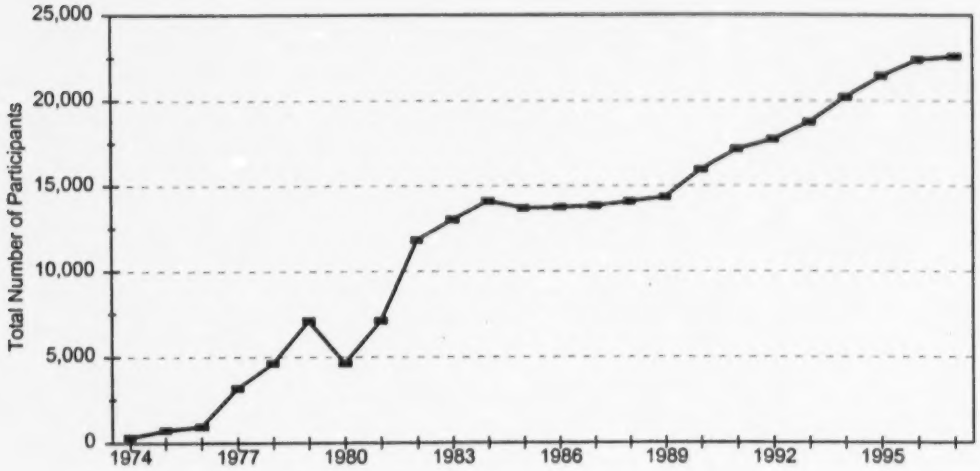


RHODE ISLAND

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Rhode Island. The Rhode Island WIC program began by serving 323 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 22,596 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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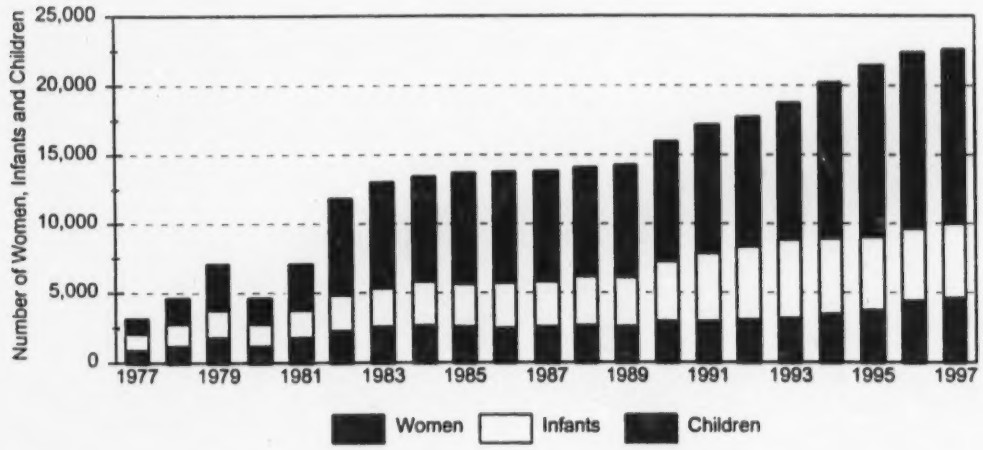
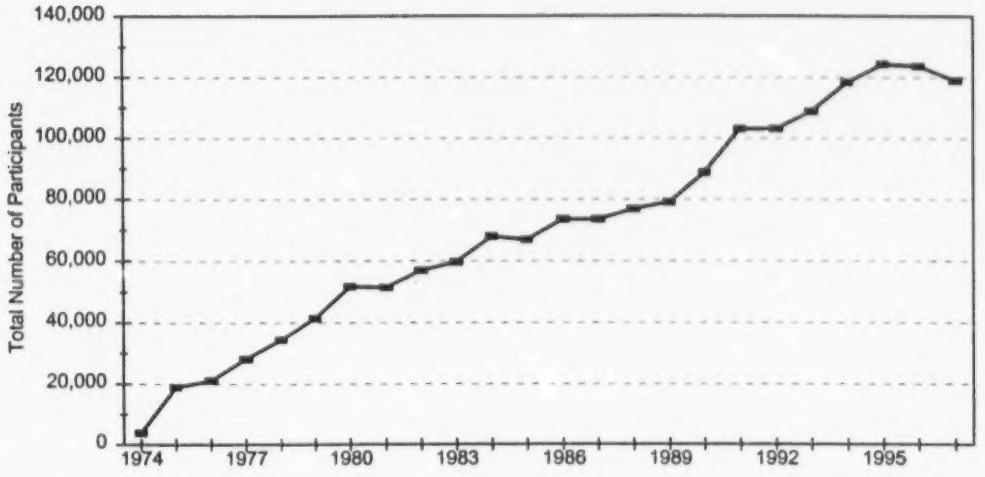


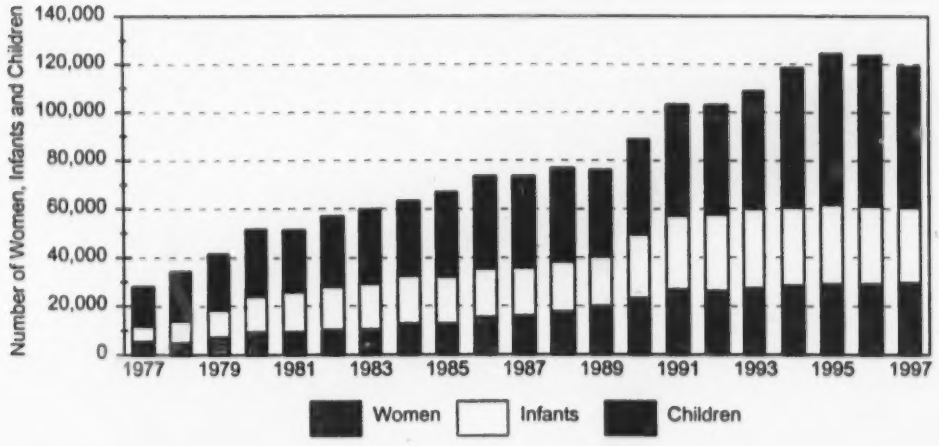
SOUTH CAROLINA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in South Carolina. The South Carolina WIC program began by serving 3,858 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 118,966 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



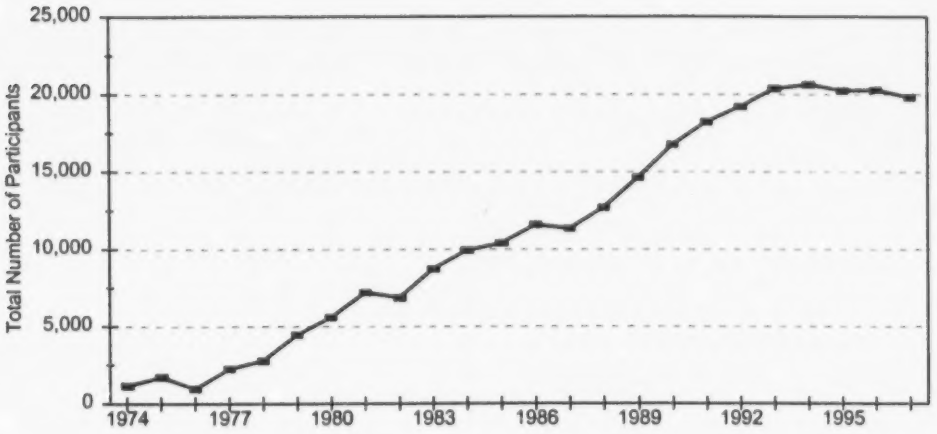
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



SOUTH DAKOTA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in South Dakota. The South Dakota WIC program began by serving 1,151 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 19,818 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



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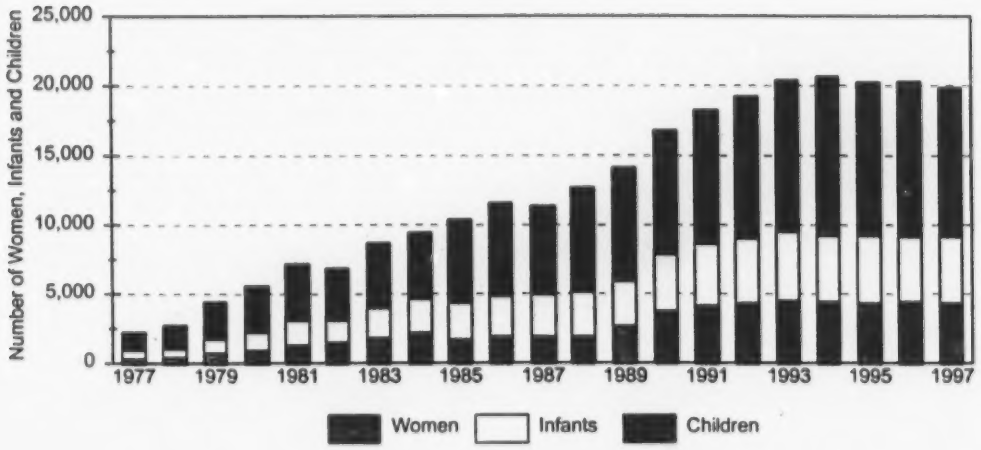
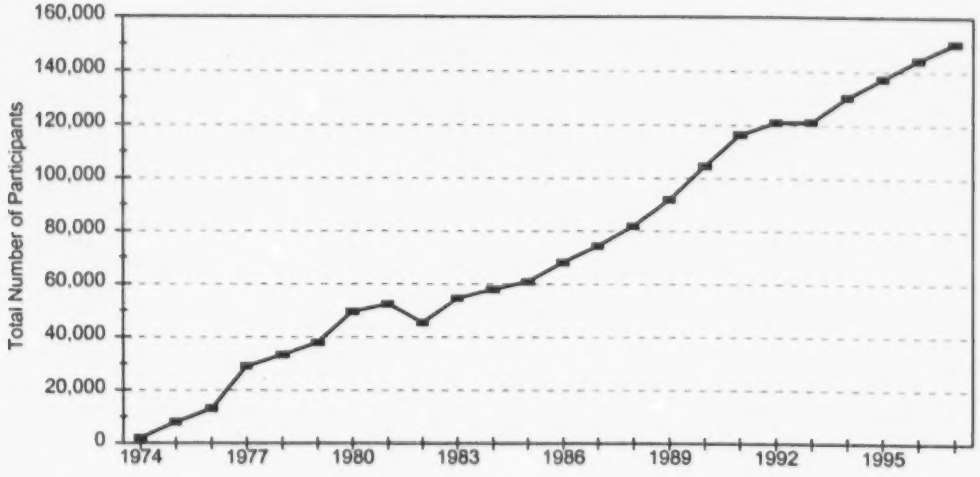


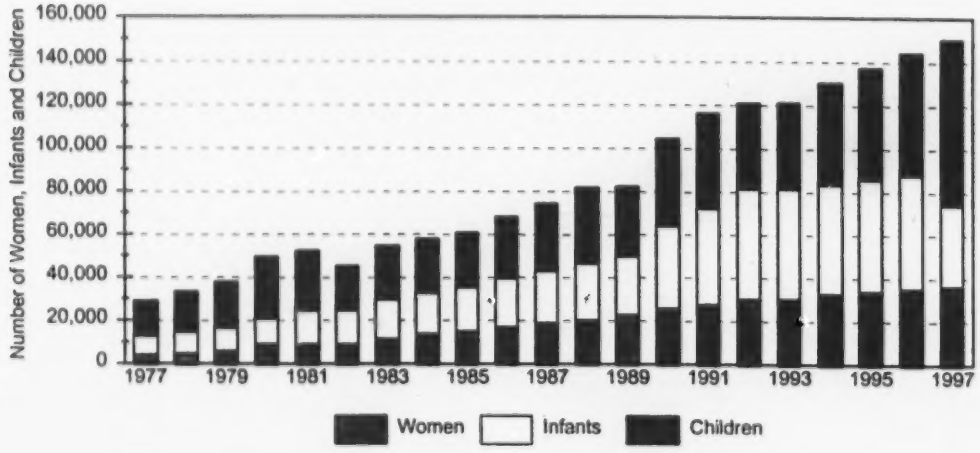
TENNESSEE

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Tennessee. The Tennessee WIC program began by serving 2,000 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 150,289 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



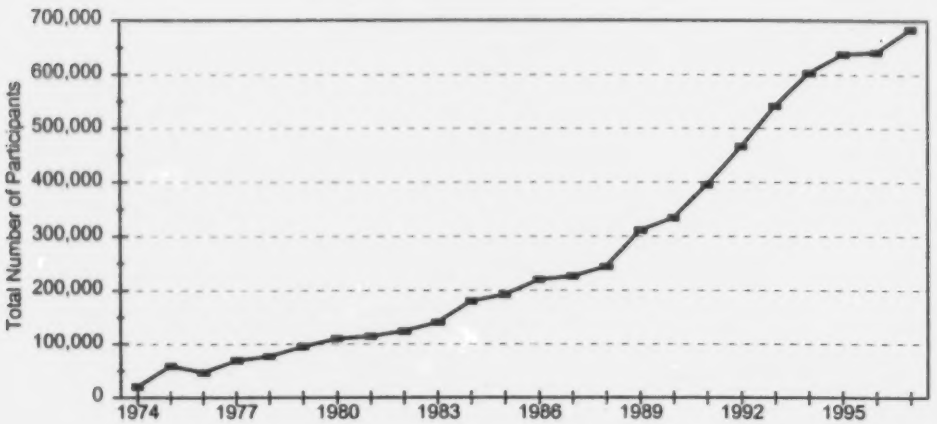
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



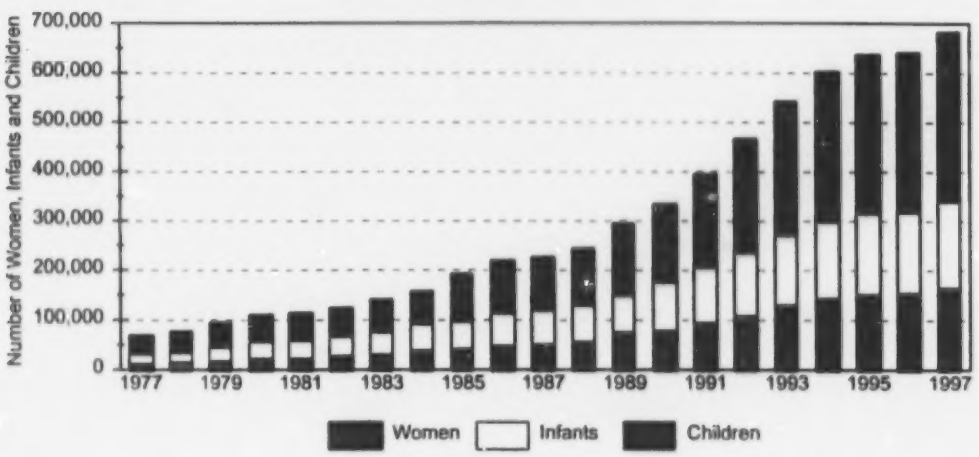
TEXAS

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Texas. The Texas WIC program began by serving 20,708 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 683,583 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



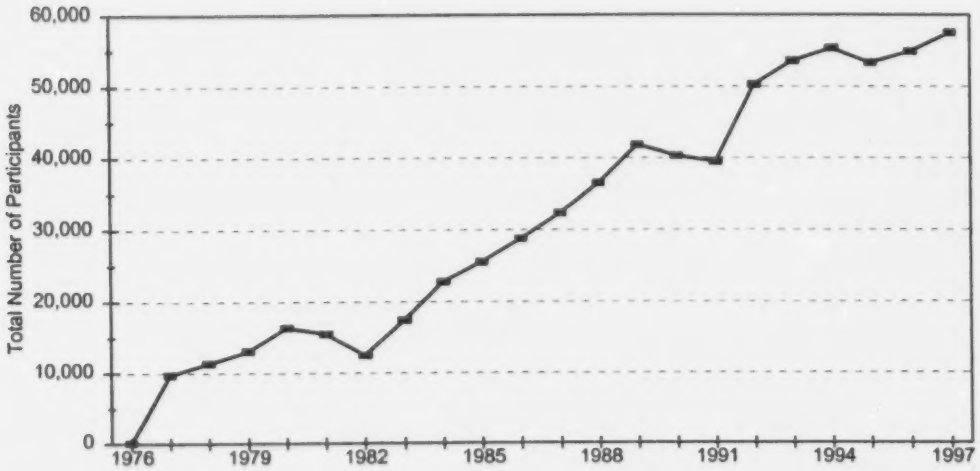
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



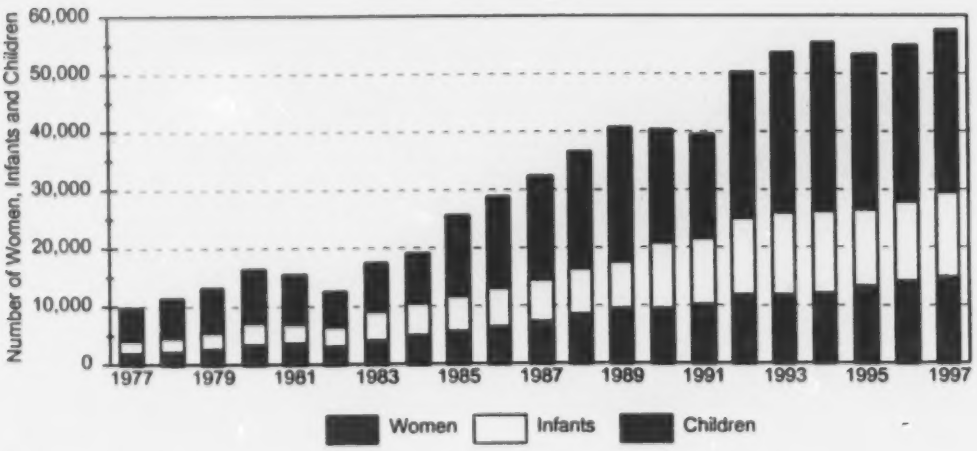
UTAH

Since 1976, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Utah. The Utah WIC program began by serving 95 participants in 1976, and has grown to serve 57,511 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



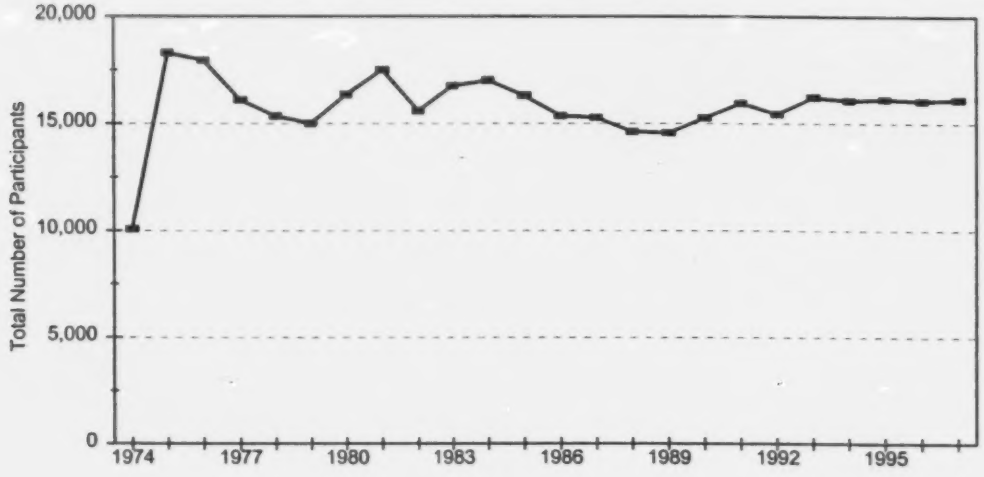
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



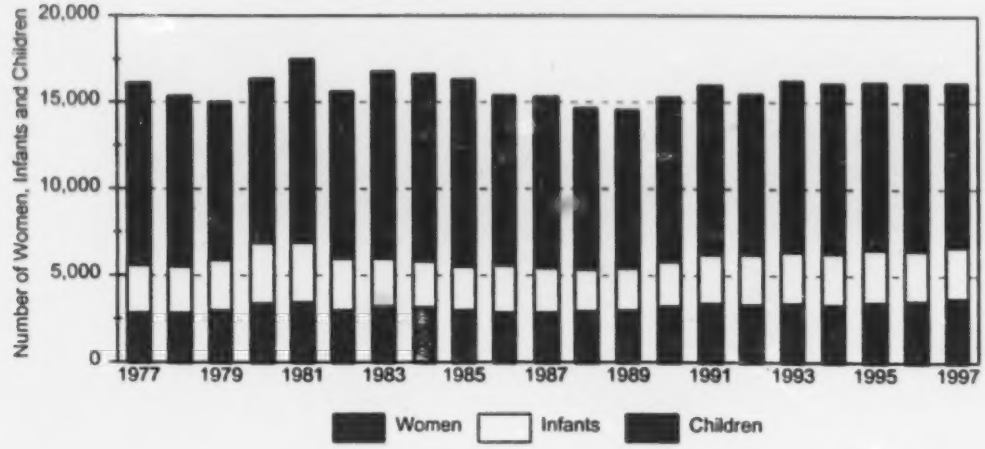
VERMONT

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Vermont. The Vermont WIC program began by serving 10,069 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 16,133 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



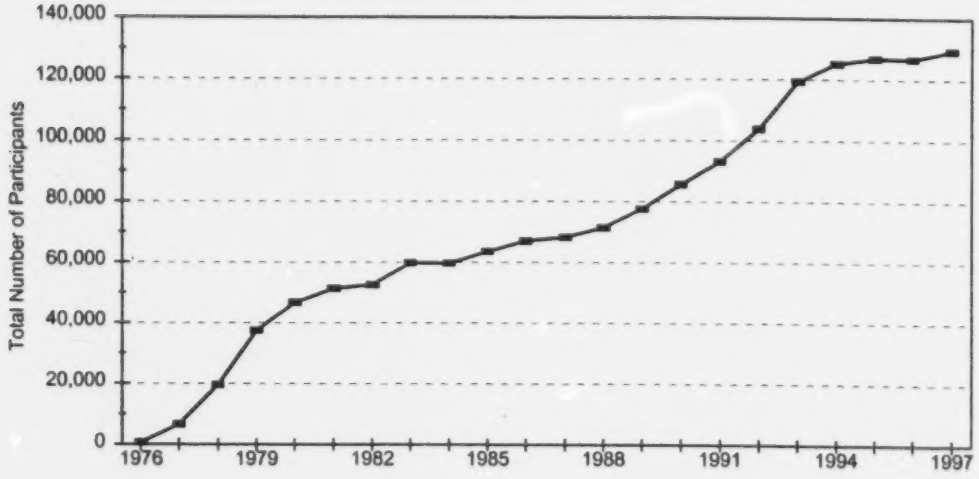
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



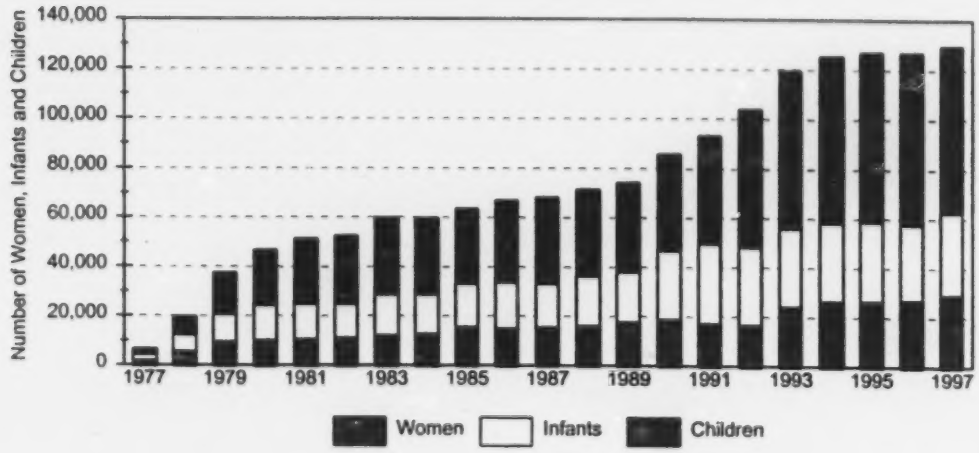
VIRGINIA

Since 1976, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Virginia. The Virginia WIC program began by serving 692 participants in 1976, and has grown to serve 129,520 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



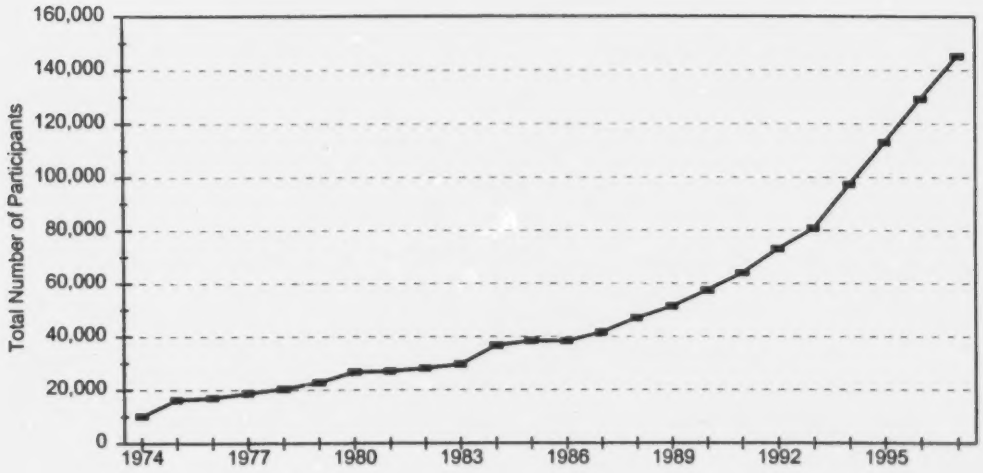
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



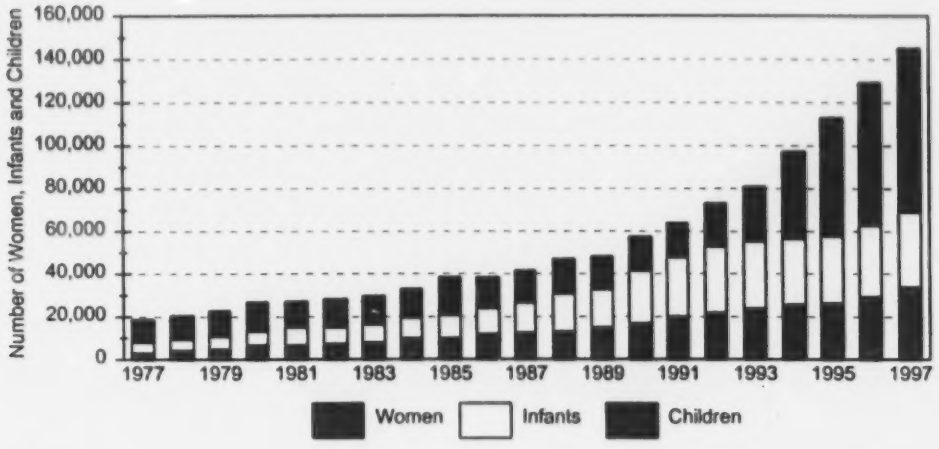
WASHINGTON

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Washington. The Washington WIC program began by serving 10,155 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 145,147 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



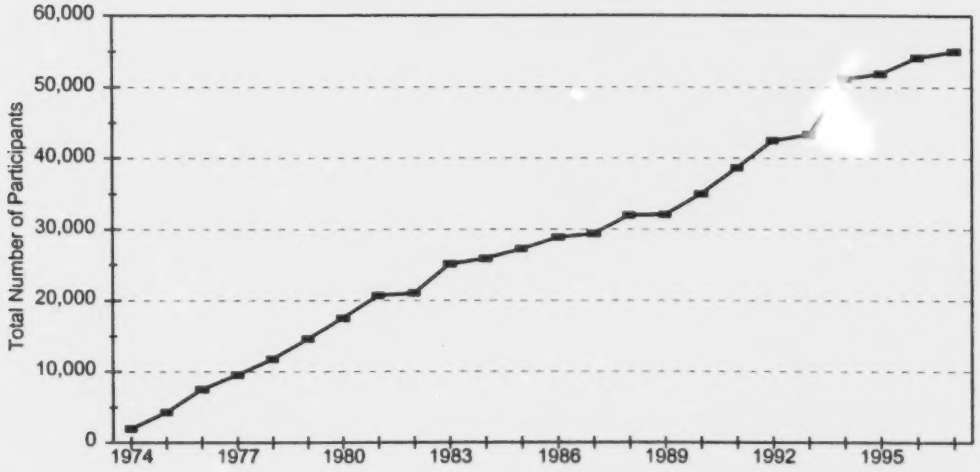
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



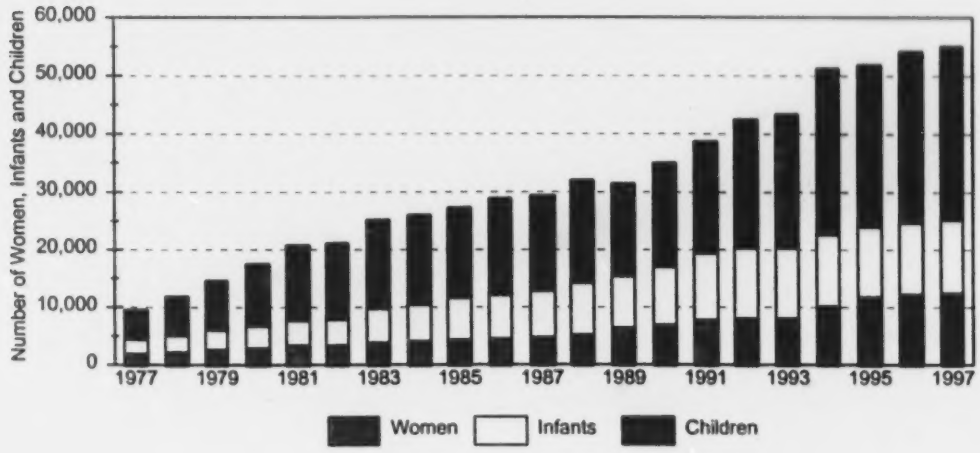
WEST VIRGINIA

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in West Virginia. The West Virginia WIC program began by serving 1,965 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 55,065 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



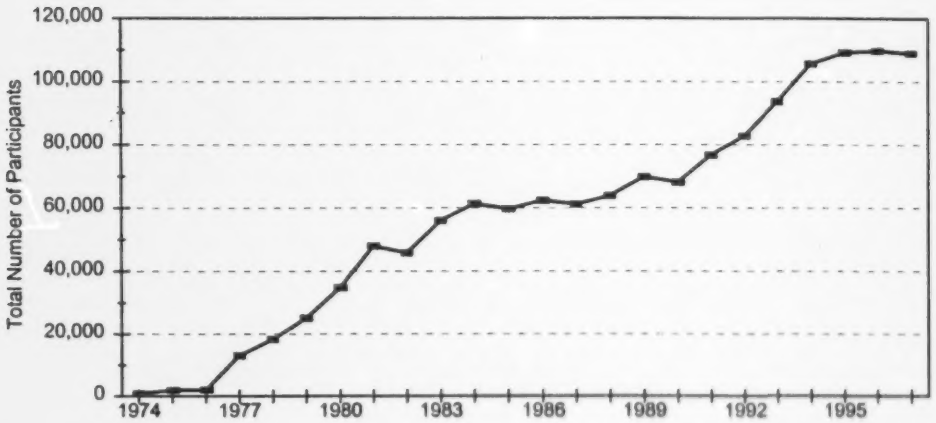
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



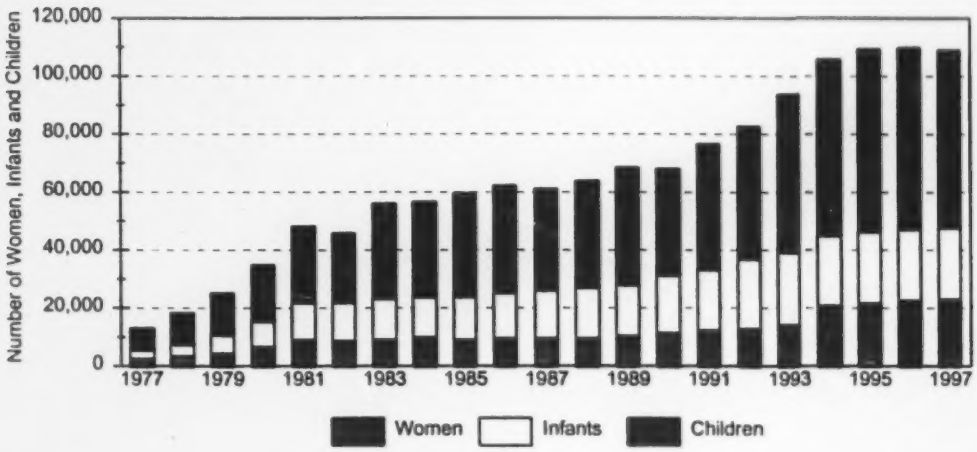
WISCONSIN

Since 1974, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin WIC program began by serving 824 participants in 1974, and has grown to serve 108,886 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



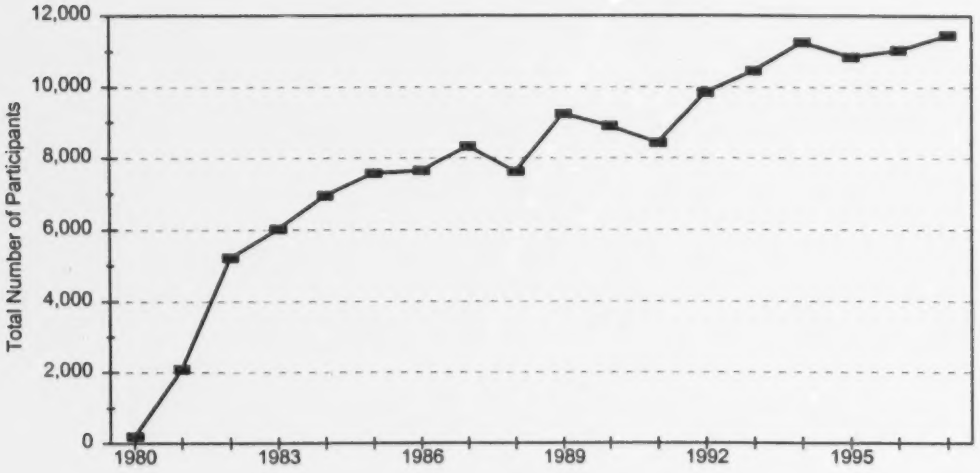
Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



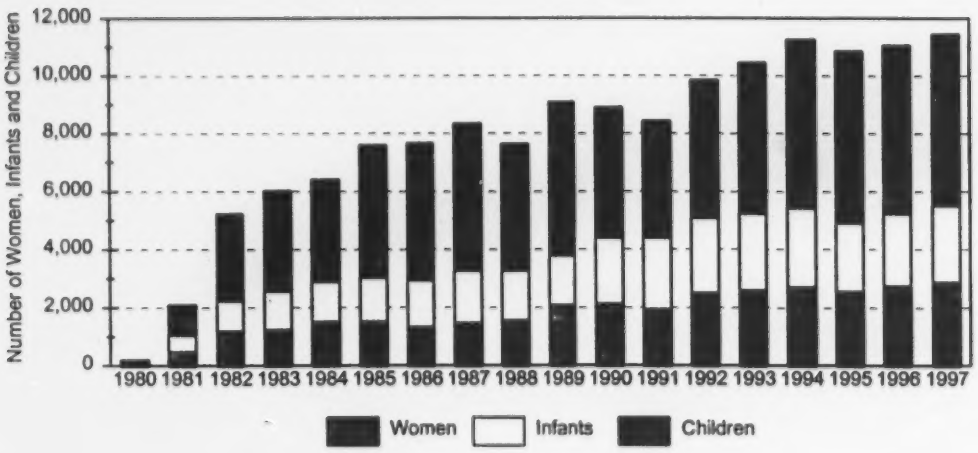
WYOMING

Since 1980, the WIC Program has provided much needed nutrition and health benefits to low-income women, infants and children in Wyoming. The Wyoming WIC program began by serving 194 participants in 1980, and has grown to serve 11,465 participants in 1997.

Total WIC Participation



Women, Infants and Children Participating in WIC



Appendix: National and State Participation Tables

National WIC Participation, 1974-1997

	Average Number of Participants			
Fiscal Year	Women	Infants	Children	Total
1974	17,051	26,263	44,343	87,657
1975	55,057	103,063	185,988	344,108
1976	81,150	147,672	291,403	520,225
1977	165,102	212,579	470,680	848,361
1978	240,060	307,989	632,745	1,180,794
1979	311,765	389,404	781,634	1,482,803
1980	411,159	506,426	992,807	1,910,392
1981	445,275	584,918	1,087,660	2,117,853
1982	532,791	679,565	1,209,053	2,421,409
1983	541,826	729,933	1,265,207	2,536,966
1984	656,642	825,053	1,563,077	3,044,772
1985	664,812	873,569	1,599,604	3,137,985
1986	711,667	944,582	1,655,421	3,311,670
1987	750,536	1,019,305	1,659,571	3,429,412
1988	815,253	1,094,600	1,682,990	3,592,843
1989	951,863	1,259,670	1,907,053	4,118,586
1990	1,035,034	1,412,454	2,069,395	4,516,883
1991	1,120,126	1,558,808	2,213,912	4,892,846
1992	1,226,097	1,683,570	2,493,736	5,403,403
1993	1,365,924	1,741,104	2,814,118	5,921,146
1994	1,499,218	1,786,305	3,191,667	6,477,190
1995	1,576,785	1,817,330	3,500,095	6,894,210
1996	1,648,204	1,827,287	3,712,341	7,187,832
1997	1,710,505	1,863,021	3,833,340	7,406,866

Data Source: USDA . Totals include states, Indian Tribal Organizations, and U.S. territories.

WIC Participation, 1974-1975

	1974					1975			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama				3,639					9,883
Alaska				118					119
Arizona				7,177					20,022
Arkansas				2,621					3,991
California				17,762					46,890
Colorado				2,650					3,706
Connecticut				5,979					14,731
Delaware				609					1,121
District of Columbia									
Florida				7,968					9,883
Georgia				3,102					11,699
Hawaii				1,166					1,176
Idaho				100					796
Illinois				11,019					15,852
Indiana				425					1,992
Iowa				428					1,037
Kansas				2,067					2,594
Kentucky				8,154					11,101
Louisiana				6,127					8,731
Maine				432					1,420
Maryland				2,216					9,057
Massachusetts				1,732					6,297
Michigan				860					11,436
Minnesota				2,308					5,379
Mississippi				1,445					7,890
Missouri				246					2,041
Montana				744					7,485
Nebraska									277
Nevada				1,129					2,019
New Hampshire									254
New Jersey				3,845					15,175
New Mexico				2,144					2,395
New York				27,106					51,701
North Carolina				2,635					16,686
North Dakota									32
Ohio				10,175					23,172
Oklahoma				243					281
Oregon				4,641					8,218
Pennsylvania				879					14,493
Rhode Island				323					746
South Carolina				3,858					18,870
South Dakota				1,151					1,703
Tennessee				2,000					8,067
Texas				20,708					59,081
Utah									
Vermont				10,069					18,302
Virginia									
Washington				10,155					16,303
West Virginia				1,965					4,282
Wisconsin				824					1,992
Wyoming									

WIC Participation, 1976-1977

	1976					1977			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama				16,211		5,025	6,818	12,340	24,183
Alaska				315		162	119	268	549
Arizona				24,320		4,828	5,686	15,159	25,673
Arkansas				3,901		1,941	3,974	6,937	12,852
California				46,510		13,292	13,190	37,071	63,553
Colorado				4,992		1,926	2,513	3,645	8,084
Connecticut				20,310		3,294	4,060	14,035	21,389
Delaware				1,122		361	916	1,213	2,490
District of Columbia									
Florida				15,337		9,798	9,471	12,178	31,447
Georgia				11,402		8,055	10,905	14,139	33,099
Hawaii				1,179		350	380	1,721	2,451
Idaho				2,536		1,150	1,226	3,188	5,564
Illinois				18,260		7,732	10,801	22,893	41,426
Indiana				1,836		1,574	2,249	2,511	6,334
Iowa				2,068		1,870	2,358	6,442	10,670
Kansas				2,966		1,358	1,678	4,097	7,133
Kentucky				11,641		5,052	8,158	13,830	27,040
Louisiana				21,318		6,734	9,014	24,245	39,993
Maine				1,903		1,592	1,524	4,482	7,598
Maryland				9,380		4,902	7,407	7,887	20,196
Massachusetts				8,898		4,058	5,299	11,444	20,801
Michigan				16,979		6,275	10,238	20,205	36,718
Minnesota				6,470		2,419	2,864	6,220	11,503
Mississippi				11,079		4,483	5,882	12,095	22,460
Missouri				4,204		5,911	6,624	10,465	23,000
Montana				8,178		1,754	1,837	4,617	8,208
Nebraska				366		318	323	939	1,580
Nevada				3,355		1,415	1,388	3,102	5,905
New Hampshire				325		72	93	424	589
New Jersey				21,390		3,230	4,591	14,076	21,897
New Mexico				2,627		1,120	1,105	2,415	4,640
New York				46,842		13,204	22,027	31,344	66,575
North Carolina				18,703		7,711	9,892	21,526	39,129
North Dakota				1,639		495	747	1,484	2,726
Ohio				28,580		8,729	11,515	25,890	46,134
Oklahoma						1,355	1,711	2,919	5,985
Oregon				10,962		3,690	2,804	6,591	13,085
Pennsylvania				33,059		8,985	11,061	26,355	46,401
Rhode Island				963		1,007	1,109	1,057	3,173
South Carolina				21,022		5,631	6,489	15,914	28,034
South Dakota				960		423	536	1,264	2,223
Tennessee				13,090		4,446	8,849	15,699	28,994
Texas				46,516		13,781	19,120	36,758	69,659
Utah				95		2,016	2,263	5,458	9,737
Vermont				17,944		2,871	2,736	10,494	16,101
Virginia				692		2,292	2,264	2,091	6,647
Washington				17,075		3,613	4,900	10,255	18,768
West Virginia				7,485		2,241	2,108	5,209	9,558
Wisconsin				2,072		2,657	2,927	7,426	13,010
Wyoming									

WIC Participation, 1978-1979

	1978					1979			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	4,850	7,483	13,736	26,069		4,829	9,713	17,612	32,154
Alaska	210	204	375	789		241	203	482	926
Arizona	5,785	6,554	15,803	28,142		7,704	8,218	17,529	33,451
Arkansas	2,000	4,079	6,675	12,754		3,757	6,243	11,342	21,342
California	18,282	17,089	39,834	75,205		28,018	25,019	46,493	99,530
Colorado	2,411	3,171	4,794	10,376		3,473	4,557	7,093	15,123
Connecticut	4,836	5,481	16,700	27,017		5,593	6,680	19,864	32,137
Delaware	374	962	1,398	2,734		395	912	1,676	2,983
District of Columbia									
Florida	11,036	11,113	14,663	36,812		14,410	14,509	20,559	49,478
Georgia	9,887	13,187	17,920	40,994		10,213	16,044	21,338	47,595
Hawaii	391	420	2,064	2,875		513	502	2,078	3,093
Idaho	1,522	1,462	4,059	7,043		1,668	1,758	4,930	8,356
Illinois	8,431	12,519	25,543	46,493		10,484	14,186	32,245	56,915
Indiana	1,878	2,751	3,528	8,157		3,652	4,593	6,690	14,935
Iowa	2,319	2,808	7,977	13,104		2,769	3,145	9,297	15,211
Kansas	1,476	1,840	4,575	7,891		1,962	2,497	5,995	10,454
Kentucky	5,725	9,365	16,812	31,902		6,117	10,442	17,879	34,438
Louisiana	6,758	9,214	24,560	40,532		8,562	11,280	26,833	46,675
Maine	1,640	2,011	5,081	8,732		1,897	2,670	6,361	10,928
Maryland	5,218	7,620	10,376	23,214		6,113	7,668	12,452	26,233
Massachusetts	4,024	5,271	11,307	20,602		5,495	5,974	14,704	26,173
Michigan	6,408	9,506	20,561	36,475		8,729	9,700	29,327	47,756
Minnesota	3,134	3,449	8,428	15,011		4,497	5,564	11,724	21,785
Mississippi	5,715	8,663	17,128	31,506		6,324	12,946	21,790	41,060
Missouri	8,221	9,018	14,004	31,243		6,765	7,442	12,126	26,333
Montana	2,058	2,123	5,361	9,542		2,450	2,466	6,362	11,278
Nebraska	462	521	1,315	2,298		1,344	1,366	3,230	5,940
Nevada	1,213	1,323	3,094	5,630		1,540	1,585	3,674	6,799
New Hampshire	359	420	1,493	2,272		755	1,079	2,835	4,669
New Jersey	4,182	6,019	16,984	27,185		5,099	7,037	18,168	30,304
New Mexico	1,462	1,351	3,390	6,203		1,578	1,655	3,527	6,760
New York	16,677	25,728	37,657	80,062		21,383	29,187	49,429	99,999
North Carolina	9,230	12,123	24,968	46,321		12,917	17,261	31,816	61,994
North Dakota	797	1,024	2,189	4,010		1,230	1,534	3,665	6,429
Ohio	10,462	14,015	29,839	54,316		13,850	18,654	38,225	70,729
Oklahoma	1,916	2,578	4,118	8,612		4,303	4,389	6,699	15,391
Oregon	4,534	3,298	7,533	15,365		5,582	3,790	8,821	18,193
Pennsylvania	8,092	10,556	24,757	43,405		13,791	15,303	34,425	63,519
Rhode Island	1,261	1,556	1,819	4,636		1,803	1,991	3,302	7,096
South Carolina	5,564	8,978	19,823	34,365		7,283	11,506	22,595	41,384
South Dakota	510	577	1,652	2,739		798	936	2,700	4,434
Tennessee	5,289	9,833	18,214	33,336		6,243	10,891	20,680	37,814
Texas	15,121	20,590	41,266	76,977		19,677	25,972	49,762	95,411
Utah	2,288	2,477	6,610	11,375		2,762	2,965	7,325	13,052
Vermont	2,883	2,649	9,807	15,339		3,077	2,828	9,098	15,003
Virginia	5,989	6,329	7,308	19,626		9,617	11,153	16,692	37,462
Washington	4,531	5,364	10,547	20,442		5,481	5,684	11,647	22,812
West Virginia	2,385	2,850	6,554	11,789		2,751	3,319	8,516	14,586
Wisconsin	3,620	4,054	10,596	18,270		4,708	5,874	14,507	25,089
Wyoming									

WIC Participation, 1980-1981

	1980					1981			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	7,299	14,389	25,187	46,875		8,879	17,542	28,819	55,240
Alaska	263	244	518	1,025		384	361	553	1,298
Arizona	9,457	9,079	18,576	37,112		9,903	9,280	16,188	35,371
Arkansas	4,032	7,030	8,455	19,517		4,585	6,949	9,335	20,869
California	38,832	35,661	58,965	133,458		45,111	44,708	53,072	142,891
Colorado	4,392	4,315	10,481	19,188		4,448	3,981	10,699	19,128
Connecticut	5,837	7,188	21,379	34,404		6,054	7,959	24,282	38,295
Delaware	701	1,152	2,420	4,273		944	1,305	2,550	4,799
District of Columbia						340	209	264	813
Florida	17,260	17,981	27,983	63,224		15,703	21,170	29,934	66,807
Georgia	12,817	21,442	25,611	59,870		12,627	22,744	24,947	60,318
Hawaii	769	729	2,343	3,841		833	797	2,132	3,762
Idaho	1,907	2,130	5,703	9,740		1,922	2,314	5,472	9,708
Illinois	12,588	17,854	40,135	70,577		13,822	22,387	36,940	73,149
Indiana	6,290	8,073	12,989	27,352		6,854	9,130	16,161	32,145
Iowa	4,154	4,287	12,182	20,623		4,779	5,345	15,070	25,194
Kansas	2,861	3,472	8,140	14,473		2,653	2,102	10,344	15,099
Kentucky	9,024	13,687	22,479	45,190		8,471	13,879	21,313	43,663
Louisiana	10,675	13,403	30,652	54,730		13,219	15,586	35,420	64,225
Maine	2,276	2,875	7,157	12,308		2,404	3,016	7,158	12,578
Maryland	8,945	10,568	18,569	38,082		9,437	12,220	22,191	43,848
Massachusetts	7,174	6,743	18,494	32,411		8,142	8,909	19,294	36,345
Michigan	10,513	11,564	35,400	57,477		12,163	14,961	36,072	63,196
Minnesota	5,963	6,751	16,714	29,428		6,947	9,031	21,356	37,334
Mississippi	7,798	17,282	28,775	53,855		9,205	19,343	33,883	62,431
Missouri	9,487	11,381	16,476	37,344		11,036	12,802	21,811	45,649
Montana	2,853	2,804	7,074	12,731		2,600	2,896	6,747	12,243
Nebraska	2,429	2,717	5,836	10,982		2,970	3,397	7,035	13,402
Nevada	1,962	1,990	4,482	8,434		2,224	2,286	5,108	9,618
New Hampshire	1,046	1,346	3,221	5,613		1,654	2,097	5,357	9,108
New Jersey	8,441	10,135	25,905	44,481		9,147	10,924	29,946	50,017
New Mexico	3,756	3,482	3,267	10,505		4,552	4,167	3,631	12,350
New York	32,643	42,389	79,613	154,645		34,642	49,034	91,211	174,887
North Carolina	17,001	22,020	41,816	80,837		15,150	23,993	43,863	83,006
North Dakota	1,401	1,922	4,402	7,725		1,513	2,194	4,999	8,706
Ohio	17,513	22,942	49,912	90,367		17,932	25,879	56,042	99,853
Oklahoma	6,305	6,767	9,182	22,254		8,085	8,974	12,361	29,420
Oregon	7,009	4,543	9,909	21,461		8,018	5,233	9,484	22,735
Pennsylvania	15,792	18,758	41,444	75,994		20,100	24,645	53,707	98,452
Rhode Island	1,261	1,556	1,819	4,636		1,803	1,991	3,302	7,096
South Carolina	9,631	14,785	27,181	51,597		9,586	16,424	25,315	51,325
South Dakota	1,011	1,199	3,363	5,573		1,392	1,719	4,051	7,162
Tennessee	9,117	12,472	27,817	49,406		9,347	15,396	27,575	52,318
Texas	24,752	31,889	53,488	110,129		25,950	35,548	52,968	114,466
Utah	3,595	3,629	9,083	16,307		3,635	3,471	8,338	15,444
Vermont	3,430	3,414	9,501	16,345		3,539	3,407	10,554	17,500
Virginia	10,613	13,759	22,220	46,592		10,857	14,105	26,283	51,245
Washington	6,992	6,621	13,123	26,736		7,265	7,759	12,033	27,057
West Virginia	3,149	3,579	10,798	17,526		3,549	4,292	12,840	20,681
Wisconsin	7,080	8,578	19,141	34,799		9,135	12,760	26,104	47,999
Wyoming	50	51	93	194		537	533	1,026	2,096

WIC Participation, 1982-1983

	1982					1983			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	7,471	17,532	24,857	49,860		9,530	18,348	28,065	55,943
Alaska	491	449	784	1,725		846	771	1,260	2,877
Arizona	7,473	7,064	7,652	22,189		7,936	8,222	8,335	24,493
Arkansas	4,719	6,744	9,595	21,059		4,253	7,515	11,127	22,895
California	56,067	52,022	55,207	163,296		63,402	62,324	61,508	187,234
Colorado	5,543	4,300	12,026	21,869		6,073	5,132	13,682	24,887
Connecticut	5,903	8,032	24,627	38,561		6,219	8,721	26,827	41,767
Delaware	1,044	1,363	2,343	4,749		1,022	1,482	2,290	4,794
District of Columbia	2,137	2,080	2,680	6,897		2,051	2,843	4,665	9,559
Florida	15,731	22,731	29,177	67,639		15,623	26,504	33,181	75,308
Georgia	14,058	20,612	30,617	65,287		16,183	24,084	36,996	77,263
Hawaii	922	923	1,655	3,500		1,098	1,200	2,037	4,335
Idaho	2,047	2,390	5,193	9,630		2,234	2,834	6,036	11,104
Illinois	15,979	27,016	31,239	74,234		19,890	34,523	44,323	98,736
Indiana	7,959	9,680	19,379	37,017		8,634	12,279	21,000	41,913
Iowa	5,371	5,572	17,160	28,102		4,956	6,675	18,563	30,194
Kansas	3,122	3,904	9,511	16,536		3,567	5,866	9,370	18,803
Kentucky	8,901	14,143	22,573	45,617		11,016	15,538	26,212	52,766
Louisiana	14,438	17,521	30,067	62,026		20,602	22,441	34,605	77,648
Maine	2,725	3,274	7,308	13,307		2,906	3,465	8,691	15,062
Maryland	8,785	12,329	21,898	43,013		10,174	12,302	24,776	47,252
Massachusetts	7,612	10,153	16,894	34,659		8,881	11,671	21,898	42,450
Michigan	14,821	19,805	36,918	71,544		19,824	26,611	45,604	92,039
Minnesota	6,780	7,935	24,079	38,794		7,456	9,046	29,199	45,701
Mississippi	9,267	20,974	38,864	69,104		10,318	21,689	39,638	71,645
Missouri	13,172	14,516	21,980	49,668		12,308	16,969	25,569	54,846
Montana	2,182	2,908	5,866	10,956		2,256	3,156	6,061	11,473
Nebraska	2,266	3,627	5,713	11,606		2,782	3,793	7,088	13,663
Nevada	2,350	2,491	5,540	10,382		1,984	2,629	5,643	10,256
New Hampshire	1,927	2,179	6,261	10,367		2,030	2,416	6,940	11,386
New Jersey	8,729	11,276	26,931	46,937		9,719	13,717	29,128	52,564
New Mexico	4,714	4,425	2,879	12,017		5,361	5,488	2,202	13,051
New York	38,308	51,834	93,550	183,692		42,703	60,479	113,071	216,253
North Carolina	12,524	23,807	44,155	80,485		13,800	24,330	46,196	84,326
North Dakota	1,654	2,045	5,807	9,505		1,651	2,476	6,306	10,433
Ohio	18,232	25,567	48,111	91,910		23,235	32,261	61,021	116,517
Oklahoma	7,696	9,643	13,168	30,507		8,265	11,831	15,041	35,137
Oregon	8,792	5,983	8,103	22,878		9,606	6,927	10,281	26,814
Pennsylvania	20,056	25,021	54,139	99,216		21,458	29,060	64,746	115,264
Rhode Island	2,342	2,576	6,894	11,812		2,588	2,802	7,623	13,013
South Carolina	10,905	17,092	28,891	56,888		10,587	18,676	30,359	59,622
South Dakota	1,590	1,555	3,689	6,834		1,828	2,115	4,759	8,702
Tennessee	9,309	15,909	20,048	45,266		11,770	18,095	24,596	54,461
Texas	28,698	38,161	57,566	124,424		31,622	44,240	64,925	140,787
Utah	3,257	3,380	5,860	12,497		4,170	4,875	8,348	17,393
Vermont	3,073	2,972	9,544	15,589		3,243	2,743	10,775	16,761
Virginia	11,254	14,113	27,100	52,466		12,769	16,168	30,768	59,705
Washington	7,738	7,589	12,809	28,136		8,537	8,074	13,082	29,693
West Virginia	3,458	4,445	13,120	21,023		4,013	5,755	15,340	25,108
Wisconsin	8,836	13,072	23,792	45,700		9,219	14,052	32,709	55,980
Wyoming	1,231	1,007	2,975	5,213		1,263	1,289	3,467	6,019

WIC Participation, 1984-1985

	1984					1985			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	14,583	20,636	36,153	71,373		13,969	20,683	34,305	68,958
Alaska	1,138	1,091	1,945	4,175		1,112	1,141	1,767	4,021
Arizona	8,808	8,886	10,656	28,350		9,074	8,804	13,155	31,034
Arkansas	4,950	8,662	15,859	29,473		5,885	9,097	18,038	33,020
California	74,223	71,815	67,995	214,035		78,671	83,915	75,595	238,182
Colorado	6,895	5,761	16,720	29,377		7,153	5,983	18,657	31,794
Connecticut	7,758	9,006	29,429	46,193		7,706	9,036	29,059	45,802
Delaware	1,102	1,387	3,544	6,033		1,061	1,794	3,395	6,251
District of Columbia	2,372	3,133	5,885	11,392		2,098	3,084	5,334	10,517
Florida	19,768	28,988	36,648	85,405		24,220	31,300	39,937	95,459
Georgia	22,788	27,985	51,926	102,700		22,636	29,659	53,642	105,938
Hawaii	1,478	1,534	2,679	5,693		1,798	1,909	2,916	6,624
Idaho	2,332	2,953	6,928	12,214		2,700	3,295	8,360	14,356
Illinois	23,806	42,461	57,495	123,763		24,681	46,998	56,796	128,476
Indiana	11,564	12,313	29,706	53,585		13,180	13,663	34,938	61,783
Iowa	4,203	6,991	19,647	30,842		4,980	7,593	19,440	32,014
Kansas	3,703	6,366	11,685	21,756		4,290	7,174	12,485	23,950
Kentucky	13,936	16,700	30,769	61,405		12,556	17,436	32,813	62,806
Louisiana	23,026	24,676	39,570	87,273		21,735	26,246	42,399	90,381
Maine	3,412	3,698	10,061	17,172		3,785	3,597	10,787	18,170
Maryland	10,175	13,205	26,695	50,076		7,711	12,508	25,140	45,359
Massachusetts	10,071	11,676	28,202	49,950		8,768	11,699	33,540	54,008
Michigan	24,702	32,925	70,505	128,132		22,835	32,465	66,628	121,929
Minnesota	8,791	10,221	35,464	54,477		8,485	11,373	35,089	54,948
Mississippi	15,561	23,449	46,063	85,074		16,528	23,886	47,367	87,782
Missouri	14,657	17,922	30,022	62,602		11,741	18,688	28,612	59,042
Montana	2,179	2,991	6,743	11,914		2,290	2,656	7,001	11,948
Nebraska	4,063	3,942	8,647	16,653		4,113	4,174	8,925	17,213
Nevada	2,487	2,573	6,060	11,121		2,527	2,748	5,981	11,256
New Hampshire	2,444	2,588	7,819	12,851		2,569	2,739	8,009	13,318
New Jersey	11,058	16,313	34,310	61,682		11,777	17,666	34,803	64,247
New Mexico	6,138	6,681	4,888	17,708		6,632	7,040	6,434	20,107
New York	44,214	68,340	147,550	260,105		39,244	68,346	140,193	247,784
North Carolina	18,577	24,911	50,759	94,248		20,212	26,633	52,685	99,530
North Dakota	1,645	2,601	6,334	10,581		1,779	2,686	6,040	10,506
Ohio	33,900	42,973	95,331	172,205		30,759	43,101	91,811	165,672
Oklahoma	7,523	11,315	15,860	34,699		7,570	11,720	16,313	35,604
Oregon	9,904	7,644	12,502	30,051		9,861	7,709	12,160	29,731
Pennsylvania	27,447	33,594	82,014	143,055		27,046	34,657	87,066	148,770
Rhode Island	2,774	3,045	8,284	14,103		2,600	3,078	8,007	13,686
South Carolina	13,337	19,528	34,997	67,863		12,937	19,206	34,658	66,803
South Dakota	2,242	2,433	5,232	9,907		1,767	2,653	5,955	10,376
Tennessee	14,099	19,174	24,640	57,913		15,366	20,114	25,280	60,761
Texas	42,001	50,863	87,281	180,145		44,013	55,012	92,923	191,949
Utah	5,104	5,556	12,107	22,767		5,778	5,971	13,766	25,515
Vermont	3,219	2,625	11,170	17,014		3,035	2,476	10,787	16,299
Virginia	12,923	15,935	30,735	59,594		15,977	17,297	30,152	63,427
Washington	10,159	9,578	16,876	36,614		10,596	10,412	17,338	38,347
West Virginia	4,150	6,491	15,257	25,899		4,481	7,127	15,637	27,245
Wisconsin	10,080	13,824	37,430	61,335		9,426	14,467	35,696	59,538
Wyoming	1,519	1,412	4,019	6,950		1,527	1,506	4,542	7,576

WIC Participation, 1986-1987

	1986					1987			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	14,565	21,980	34,405	70,950		15,380	23,630	36,095	75,106
Alaska	1,354	1,268	1,674	4,298		1,492	1,331	1,910	4,734
Arizona	9,221	9,023	11,645	29,891		9,914	10,462	12,289	32,665
Arkansas	6,711	11,674	14,370	32,756		7,362	12,872	16,700	36,935
California	84,062	95,662	75,796	255,520		90,786	104,320	75,838	270,945
Colorado	7,055	6,761	19,622	33,439		6,960	8,360	21,221	36,541
Connecticut	7,703	9,202	28,548	45,454		7,624	9,229	27,763	44,617
Delaware	1,387	2,347	3,480	7,216		1,330	2,457	3,648	7,435
District of Columbia	2,290	3,447	5,196	10,934		2,275	3,590	5,364	11,230
Florida	28,080	35,218	44,943	108,242		31,004	38,657	47,900	117,563
Georgia	25,584	32,330	58,937	116,852		23,981	34,861	59,078	117,920
Hawaii	2,232	2,699	3,336	8,268		2,552	3,394	4,156	10,103
Idaho	3,179	3,744	9,393	16,317		3,227	3,930	9,065	16,223
Illinois	28,866	51,377	67,261	147,505		32,266	53,634	68,916	154,817
Indiana	12,602	15,103	37,937	65,642		10,260	16,155	41,947	68,362
Iowa	6,351	8,532	21,526	36,410		6,016	8,352	22,653	37,023
Kansas	5,198	8,858	13,956	28,013		5,513	9,201	14,346	29,061
Kentucky	12,804	18,636	32,673	64,114		15,064	19,249	31,318	65,632
Louisiana	20,686	28,724	41,503	90,914		19,624	31,021	39,481	90,127
Maine	3,924	3,667	11,021	18,612		4,190	4,030	10,722	18,943
Maryland	8,554	10,786	23,208	42,548		9,264	11,596	21,303	42,164
Massachusetts	8,858	13,074	35,038	56,970		9,877	14,004	32,966	56,848
Michigan	23,879	33,547	65,902	123,329		24,714	35,366	67,668	127,749
Minnesota	8,537	12,365	33,975	54,877		8,801	12,628	34,883	56,312
Mississippi	15,424	24,507	51,654	91,586		14,018	25,040	49,001	88,060
Missouri	11,929	19,040	26,155	57,124		12,588	20,234	26,689	59,512
Montana	2,262	2,882	7,735	12,880		2,457	2,923	8,113	13,494
Nebraska	4,555	5,274	8,834	18,664		4,977	4,993	9,635	19,606
Nevada	2,558	2,898	5,841	11,298		2,756	3,083	6,106	11,946
New Hampshire	2,574	3,044	7,688	13,307		2,648	2,963	7,541	13,153
New Jersey	13,006	19,370	36,521	68,897		13,787	20,674	37,961	72,423
New Mexico	7,073	8,465	5,630	21,169		7,589	9,462	4,741	21,794
New York	40,627	64,399	130,630	235,657		49,328	75,485	130,233	255,046
North Carolina	21,098	29,457	52,564	103,120		21,983	31,636	52,806	106,425
North Dakota	1,837	2,982	6,144	10,965		1,963	2,918	6,012	10,894
Ohio	37,043	46,404	98,814	182,263		36,950	57,725	89,001	183,677
Oklahoma	7,800	12,642	16,804	37,247		7,833	13,288	17,935	39,057
Oregon	10,170	8,575	13,277	32,022		10,363	9,370	12,816	32,550
Pennsylvania	26,963	37,093	87,452	151,509		27,849	36,347	83,501	147,698
Rhode Island	2,538	3,225	7,982	13,746		2,649	3,185	7,990	13,825
South Carolina	15,875	19,693	37,858	73,426		16,649	19,350	37,480	73,480
South Dakota	1,921	2,981	6,664	11,567		1,917	3,016	6,400	11,334
Tennessee	17,728	22,444	27,886	68,059		19,344	23,567	31,340	74,252
Texas	49,560	63,916	106,014	219,491		51,558	68,721	105,977	226,257
Utah	6,574	6,634	15,558	28,767		7,489	7,126	17,680	32,296
Vermont	2,885	2,696	9,781	15,362		2,914	2,537	9,826	15,277
Virginia	15,281	18,414	33,186	66,882		15,920	17,671	34,625	68,217
Washington	12,012	11,896	14,344	38,253		13,032	13,353	15,117	41,502
West Virginia	4,713	7,487	16,689	28,889		4,821	8,045	16,506	29,372
Wisconsin	9,730	15,533	37,047	62,312		9,697	16,389	35,013	61,100
Wyoming	1,350	1,604	4,697	7,652		1,516	1,786	5,023	8,326

WIC Participation, 1988-1989

	1988					1989			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	16,128	24,320	36,277	76,725		19,244	27,519	39,586	86,349
Alaska	1,541	1,580	2,157	5,278		2,047	2,089	3,029	7,165
Arizona	10,720	11,687	14,564	36,971		11,090	13,059	14,662	38,811
Arkansas	9,186	13,831	18,454	41,471		13,570	15,573	24,882	54,025
California	100,589	116,103	85,958	302,650		123,243	140,561	126,824	390,628
Colorado	7,534	9,242	23,902	40,678		8,627	10,494	26,430	45,551
Connecticut	7,884	9,677	26,882	44,443		8,175	10,409	28,291	46,875
Delaware	1,515	2,673	3,775	7,963		1,892	3,052	4,624	9,568
District of Columbia	2,340	3,925	4,377	10,642		2,533	4,223	4,856	11,612
Florida	36,384	45,643	52,386	134,413		42,575	52,524	64,425	159,524
Georgia	23,290	37,936	57,373	118,599		35,310	43,244	74,618	153,172
Hawaii	2,907	3,823	4,544	11,274		3,248	4,397	5,200	12,845
Idaho	3,611	4,018	10,535	18,164		4,240	4,717	11,659	20,616
Illinois	33,034	54,729	58,117	145,880		37,173	60,260	67,878	165,311
Indiana	11,067	17,413	45,171	73,651		18,043	25,190	42,124	85,357
Iowa	6,904	8,437	23,087	38,428		9,340	9,386	25,609	44,335
Kansas	6,155	9,846	16,634	32,635		7,239	10,392	17,505	35,136
Kentucky	18,286	20,391	34,861	73,538		21,037	22,853	39,236	83,126
Louisiana	24,036	30,795	41,674	96,505		26,950	33,209	48,348	108,507
Maine	4,055	4,070	10,673	18,798		4,114	4,402	10,795	19,311
Maryland	9,485	12,672	21,014	43,171		10,057	13,717	20,754	44,528
Massachusetts	12,013	13,935	30,328	56,276		12,032	16,150	35,832	64,014
Michigan	23,819	37,372	66,797	127,988		28,365	38,912	73,829	141,106
Minnesota	8,849	12,475	35,807	57,131		11,720	16,322	41,629	69,671
Mississippi	17,268	25,531	50,269	93,068		19,051	27,012	49,962	96,025
Missouri	13,058	21,732	28,030	62,820		15,987	26,512	34,715	77,214
Montana	2,392	3,422	7,880	13,694		2,415	3,508	8,242	14,165
Nebraska	5,086	5,014	9,807	19,907		4,896	5,529	10,217	20,642
Nevada	2,942	3,152	6,029	12,123		3,360	3,663	6,838	13,861
New Hampshire	2,841	3,159	7,674	13,674		2,794	3,308	7,831	13,933
New Jersey	14,914	22,117	37,110	74,141		15,749	23,718	38,624	78,091
New Mexico	7,766	10,556	7,408	25,730		7,899	10,304	12,839	31,042
New York	58,074	84,499	119,359	261,932		69,304	103,482	139,394	312,180
North Carolina	23,988	33,489	52,063	109,540		28,423	37,063	56,987	122,473
North Dakota	2,805	3,126	6,470	12,401		3,020	3,284	7,947	14,251
Ohio	36,808	60,093	84,233	181,134		38,734	63,064	84,335	186,133
Oklahoma	8,592	14,464	17,381	40,437		8,850	15,512	18,346	42,708
Oregon	11,666	10,567	15,415	37,648		13,754	11,521	20,382	45,657
Pennsylvania	28,937	37,534	84,092	150,563		25,718	46,340	104,177	176,235
Rhode Island	2,762	3,523	7,794	14,079		2,649	3,605	8,085	14,339
South Carolina	18,299	19,959	38,611	76,869		20,436	22,949	35,637	79,022
South Dakota	2,006	3,200	7,476	12,682		2,705	3,754	8,194	14,653
Tennessee	20,790	26,283	34,700	81,773		23,480	35,792	32,525	91,797
Texas	57,194	73,926	112,461	243,581		76,143	90,441	144,407	310,991
Utah	8,556	7,924	20,023	36,503		9,698	9,015	23,064	41,777
Vermont	2,954	2,420	9,235	14,609		3,080	2,469	9,014	14,563
Virginia	16,635	19,961	34,754	71,350		18,048	23,258	36,169	77,475
Washington	13,638	17,638	15,680	46,956		15,107	20,799	15,360	51,266
West Virginia	5,490	8,711	17,780	31,981		6,671	9,397	16,011	32,079
Wisconsin	9,912	17,377	36,514	63,803		10,885	18,719	40,139	69,743
Wyoming	1,594	1,695	4,331	7,620		2,086	1,864	5,290	9,240

WIC Participation, 1990-1991

	1990					1991			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	21,875	31,480	44,636	97,991		24,577	34,615	50,228	109,420
Alaska	2,621	2,872	4,127	9,620		2,732	3,254	3,650	9,636
Arizona	12,141	14,872	16,673	43,686		14,204	16,866	19,171	50,241
Arkansas	15,128	17,188	24,256	56,572		17,590	19,895	27,876	65,361
California	139,553	177,435	129,691	446,679		165,087	210,913	110,253	486,253
Colorado	9,659	11,266	26,892	47,817		10,617	11,812	23,821	46,250
Connecticut	8,709	11,623	30,629	50,961		9,654	12,831	34,917	57,402
Delaware	2,465	3,390	5,515	11,370		2,296	3,891	5,774	11,961
District of Columbia	2,919	5,005	5,513	13,437		3,061	5,110	6,404	14,575
Florida	47,587	62,700	75,589	185,876		50,623	70,090	86,635	207,348
Georgia	32,933	47,983	83,128	164,044		34,777	52,046	91,046	177,869
Hawaii	3,531	5,050	5,861	14,442		3,857	5,532	5,511	14,900
Idaho	5,002	6,381	10,890	22,273		5,650	6,979	12,057	24,686
Illinois	40,085	67,160	79,850	187,095		36,612	67,111	95,958	199,681
Indiana	24,707	31,355	48,969	105,031		26,020	35,751	55,450	117,221
Iowa	9,599	10,438	27,424	47,461		7,515	11,282	28,944	47,741
Kansas	8,789	10,786	20,374	39,949		9,589	12,389	20,497	42,475
Kentucky	21,639	25,284	44,540	91,463		19,419	26,840	47,922	94,181
Louisiana	28,976	34,120	53,432	116,528		31,201	35,302	58,388	124,891
Maine	4,520	4,709	11,688	20,917		5,262	5,622	13,381	24,265
Maryland	13,958	17,399	26,293	57,650		13,072	20,627	23,963	57,662
Massachusetts	12,865	19,772	40,645	73,282		14,888	23,021	42,795	80,704
Michigan	31,123	44,041	74,162	149,326		34,601	51,134	81,215	166,950
Minnesota	12,613	17,085	43,682	73,380		12,212	17,977	47,242	77,431
Mississippi	20,363	28,671	52,044	101,078		21,749	30,411	55,957	108,117
Missouri	17,130	29,126	40,027	86,283		17,831	30,475	32,213	80,519
Montana	2,537	3,661	8,764	14,962		2,879	3,976	9,632	16,487
Nebraska	5,152	6,502	10,262	21,916		5,893	6,851	12,685	25,429
Nevada	3,703	4,512	7,255	15,470		3,840	5,366	6,065	15,271
New Hampshire	3,018	3,854	8,446	15,318		2,741	4,155	8,414	15,310
New Jersey	19,546	27,587	48,455	95,588		22,154	30,850	57,248	110,252
New Mexico	7,904	10,921	10,312	29,137		8,358	11,581	12,749	32,688
New York	65,949	99,620	163,602	329,171		67,304	106,780	180,023	354,107
North Carolina	30,883	41,844	61,149	133,876		32,390	45,187	57,065	134,642
North Dakota	3,021	3,249	8,687	14,957		3,186	3,340	8,564	15,090
Ohio	41,055	67,040	85,134	193,229		44,190	72,072	87,882	204,144
Oklahoma	11,546	15,888	20,105	47,539		11,281	16,683	15,390	43,354
Oregon	14,051	12,432	21,524	48,007		15,089	13,292	21,442	49,823
Pennsylvania	28,593	52,601	106,667	187,861		30,093	52,209	125,547	207,849
Rhode Island	2,989	4,308	8,649	15,946		3,052	4,897	9,211	17,160
South Carolina	23,520	25,913	39,201	88,634		26,897	30,386	45,725	103,008
South Dakota	3,800	4,141	8,823	16,764		4,173	4,511	9,543	18,227
Tennessee	26,137	38,177	40,115	104,429		28,370	43,771	44,154	116,295
Texas	78,332	98,352	156,843	333,527		96,441	112,663	186,167	395,271
Utah	9,667	11,067	19,523	40,257		10,315	11,273	17,854	39,442
Vermont	3,247	2,633	9,380	15,260		3,400	2,825	9,723	15,948
Virginia	19,236	27,819	38,565	85,620		17,519	32,373	43,145	93,037
Washington	17,472	24,091	15,795	57,358		20,324	27,865	15,691	63,880
West Virginia	6,978	10,235	17,754	34,967		8,083	11,259	19,298	38,640
Wisconsin	11,604	19,897	36,492	67,993		12,414	20,793	43,444	76,651
Wyoming	2,138	2,259	4,496	8,893		1,951	2,460	4,016	8,427

WIC Participation, 1992-1993

	1992					1993			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	26,567	35,863	55,890	118,321		27,481	36,308	56,973	120,762
Alaska	2,940	3,409	4,970	11,318		3,206	3,622	5,169	11,997
Arizona	14,678	21,043	19,634	55,354		18,346	23,640	23,241	65,227
Arkansas	19,510	21,446	37,336	78,291		20,204	23,637	39,678	83,519
California	186,341	238,410	112,745	537,496		226,892	254,560	177,014	658,466
Colorado	12,348	13,113	26,415	51,875		13,494	13,885	31,412	58,791
Connecticut	9,056	13,377	39,174	61,607		10,465	13,535	41,735	65,735
Delaware	3,008	4,197	7,100	14,305		3,036	4,228	7,811	15,075
District of Columbia	3,574	5,604	7,301	16,480		3,397	5,605	7,127	16,129
Florida	55,911	73,419	111,079	240,409		58,267	72,202	128,373	258,842
Georgia	34,316	55,775	100,016	190,107		34,323	55,999	105,713	196,035
Hawaii	4,704	6,160	7,392	18,256		5,443	6,670	10,046	22,159
Idaho	6,571	7,652	14,201	28,424		7,095	8,000	15,503	30,598
Illinois	36,144	69,121	98,989	204,254		38,774	71,912	103,639	214,325
Indiana	29,999	38,273	61,829	130,100		31,962	39,946	65,026	136,934
Iowa	9,211	11,902	31,430	52,543		11,931	12,080	33,211	57,222
Kansas	10,979	13,324	24,994	49,297		11,690	13,780	26,818	52,288
Kentucky	20,943	28,207	51,719	100,869		26,384	28,861	55,361	110,606
Louisiana	32,186	36,584	61,887	130,657		29,859	33,705	60,799	124,363
Maine	5,399	6,078	14,264	25,741		5,705	6,378	14,416	26,499
Maryland	17,809	23,203	29,394	70,405		19,571	24,191	37,099	80,861
Massachusetts	17,437	25,727	50,200	93,364		22,971	27,065	51,800	101,836
Michigan	34,974	53,787	86,577	175,339		38,630	53,197	96,242	188,069
Minnesota	14,136	19,601	47,528	81,265		14,568	19,945	52,648	87,161
Mississippi	21,487	30,840	56,463	108,790		21,980	30,226	54,439	106,645
Missouri	22,789	30,929	43,602	97,320		28,826	31,930	51,023	111,781
Montana	3,182	4,282	10,540	18,004		3,243	4,331	11,302	18,876
Nebraska	6,624	7,425	14,665	28,714		7,061	7,910	16,914	31,885
Nevada	3,732	6,011	6,170	15,913		5,527	6,216	8,706	20,449
New Hampshire	3,357	4,509	10,394	18,260		3,755	4,618	10,846	19,219
New Jersey	25,519	33,550	65,767	124,835		25,313	34,492	69,429	129,234
New Mexico	9,028	12,098	18,491	39,617		9,673	12,504	23,105	45,282
New York	69,788	111,519	192,439	373,746		74,580	113,909	213,901	402,390
North Carolina	37,738	47,012	69,211	153,961		41,038	49,864	77,285	168,187
North Dakota	3,405	3,500	9,417	16,322		3,497	3,547	9,778	16,822
Ohio	49,175	78,909	101,130	229,214		51,588	79,428	112,665	243,681
Oklahoma	14,600	19,139	25,752	59,490		15,758	19,154	31,390	66,302
Oregon	17,254	14,665	28,146	60,065		17,600	14,816	31,340	63,756
Pennsylvania	33,102	53,600	138,858	225,561		37,503	54,303	141,126	232,932
Rhode Island	3,125	5,225	9,382	17,732		3,203	5,672	9,883	18,758
South Carolina	26,845	31,198	44,919	102,961		27,649	32,782	48,337	108,768
South Dakota	4,363	4,723	10,125	19,210		4,540	4,998	10,834	20,372
Tennessee	30,807	51,180	38,887	120,873		30,725	50,926	39,400	121,051
Texas	108,383	129,800	228,097	466,280		130,186	143,943	267,836	541,965
Utah	11,880	13,172	25,173	50,225		12,030	13,915	27,634	53,579
Vermont	3,325	2,943	9,168	15,436		3,430	2,997	9,794	16,221
Virginia	17,159	31,660	54,913	103,732		24,567	31,435	63,325	119,327
Washington	22,401	30,622	20,039	73,062		24,235	31,624	24,900	80,759
West Virginia	8,173	12,235	22,062	42,469		8,119	12,381	22,859	43,359
Wisconsin	13,197	23,967	45,537	82,702		14,595	24,560	54,513	93,668
Wyoming	2,527	2,603	4,710	9,840		2,610	2,625	5,220	10,455

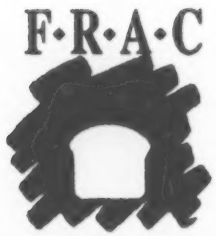
WIC Participation, 1994-1995

	1994					1995			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	27,077	35,800	58,685	121,562		27,109	35,701	59,169	121,979
Alaska	3,450	3,726	8,142	15,318		4,413	4,289	10,532	19,234
Arizona	23,155	26,651	34,155	83,961		24,530	28,841	42,611	95,982
Arkansas	21,425	23,467	42,769	87,661		21,719	23,889	41,755	87,363
California	257,277	265,236	315,191	837,704		272,337	268,477	462,797	1,003,611
Colorado	17,885	14,156	35,885	67,926		18,110	14,880	37,467	70,457
Connecticut	10,596	13,660	41,205	65,461		10,351	13,309	39,965	63,625
Delaware	3,166	4,363	8,291	15,820		3,038	4,340	8,067	15,445
District of Columbia	3,868	5,774	7,708	17,350		3,750	5,572	8,046	17,368
Florida	63,659	82,575	144,008	290,242		66,790	88,972	161,185	316,947
Georgia	41,639	56,173	114,776	212,588		43,665	57,182	116,360	217,207
Hawaii	5,581	6,954	12,253	24,788		5,356	6,993	13,061	25,410
Idaho	7,306	8,037	16,453	31,796		6,927	7,095	17,098	31,120
Illinois	43,531	72,437	109,891	225,859		49,084	73,457	122,121	244,662
Indiana	32,106	37,085	66,030	135,221		32,437	36,657	63,527	132,621
Iowa	12,373	12,342	34,015	58,730		13,676	13,768	37,815	65,259
Kansas	13,372	13,554	30,122	57,048		12,962	13,502	29,427	55,891
Kentucky	26,893	28,745	59,280	114,918		27,360	29,182	61,656	118,198
Louisiana	29,635	37,607	51,769	119,011		34,298	40,467	59,228	133,993
Maine	5,766	6,186	15,157	27,109		5,621	5,819	15,271	26,711
Maryland	19,432	24,316	38,892	82,640		20,121	25,373	40,856	86,350
Massachusetts	24,471	27,466	56,319	108,256		24,997	27,438	61,170	113,605
Michigan	44,502	53,064	107,108	204,674		45,751	51,943	111,578	209,272
Minnesota	16,651	20,415	56,111	93,177		18,650	21,109	51,219	90,978
Mississippi	20,757	30,150	52,619	103,526		20,804	30,274	51,029	102,107
Missouri	29,926	32,150	56,897	118,973		30,745	32,596	63,665	127,006
Montana	3,490	4,172	11,714	19,376		4,352	4,080	12,458	20,890
Nebraska	7,286	8,107	18,198	33,591		7,700	8,806	18,553	35,059
Nevada	6,581	6,961	12,242	25,784		7,663	7,754	14,581	29,998
New Hampshire	4,113	4,563	10,588	19,264		4,008	4,634	10,782	19,424
New Jersey	30,011	34,692	72,574	137,277		31,965	35,405	74,592	141,962
New Mexico	10,715	12,183	24,604	47,502		10,960	11,718	27,413	50,091
New York	85,232	115,738	228,553	429,523		90,663	115,454	246,595	452,712
North Carolina	42,376	49,272	82,555	174,203		44,512	50,109	86,863	181,484
North Dakota	3,428	3,517	9,737	16,682		3,364	3,382	9,397	16,143
Ohio	55,186	73,761	118,934	247,881		57,824	76,748	124,549	259,121
Oklahoma	16,675	20,271	34,436	71,382		18,419	21,562	39,133	79,114
Oregon	19,410	15,201	40,072	74,683		20,465	15,799	45,948	82,212
Pennsylvania	43,091	58,388	158,573	260,052		45,171	57,821	157,553	260,545
Rhode Island	3,514	5,437	11,253	20,204		3,823	5,227	12,399	21,449
South Carolina	28,783	31,881	57,683	118,347		29,540	32,356	62,356	124,252
South Dakota	4,448	4,858	11,325	20,631		4,361	4,875	10,991	20,227
Tennessee	32,849	51,139	46,389	130,377		34,262	51,950	51,068	137,280
Texas	144,519	155,940	302,478	602,937		153,635	162,071	321,523	637,229
Utah	12,210	14,066	29,060	55,336		13,292	13,102	26,893	53,287
Vermont	3,345	2,970	9,750	16,065		3,532	3,011	9,597	16,140
Virginia	26,601	31,890	66,713	125,204		26,703	32,054	68,125	126,882
Washington	25,697	31,399	40,196	97,292		26,837	31,111	54,967	112,915
West Virginia	10,386	12,419	28,390	51,195		11,866	12,328	27,696	51,890
Wisconsin	21,040	23,961	60,651	105,652		22,101	24,140	62,910	109,151
Wyoming	2,718	2,710	5,834	11,262		2,592	2,327	5,928	10,847

WIC Participation, 1996-1997

	1996					1997			
State	Women	Infants	Children	Total		Women	Infants	Children	Total
Alabama	26,493	35,021	56,650	118,164		26,989	35,549	56,361	118,899
Alaska	5,119	4,939	12,352	22,410		5,393	5,109	13,035	23,537
Arizona	29,381	31,106	54,459	114,946		28,885	33,162	57,293	119,340
Arkansas	23,354	23,086	44,222	90,662		22,682	23,007	41,622	87,310
California	281,534	268,908	591,155	1,141,597		287,832	278,318	658,074	1,224,224
Colorado	17,608	17,241	35,516	70,365		18,855	19,020	37,022	74,897
Connecticut	10,941	14,362	37,218	62,521		11,111	15,383	32,874	59,368
Delaware	3,188	4,340	8,303	15,831		3,242	4,381	7,957	15,581
District of Columbia	3,407	4,966	7,744	16,117		3,691	4,989	8,066	16,747
Florida	70,532	90,480	171,012	332,024		79,247	95,080	180,506	354,833
Georgia	52,051	57,116	114,580	223,747		56,162	59,292	114,700	230,153
Hawaii	6,041	7,215	14,210	27,466		6,876	7,746	16,185	30,807
Idaho	6,962	7,441	16,682	31,085		6,982	7,895	16,597	31,475
Illinois	48,600	72,695	122,928	244,223		47,531	71,697	116,840	236,068
Indiana	32,956	36,825	62,751	132,532		33,831	37,525	61,344	132,700
Iowa	14,243	13,875	37,902	66,020		14,625	14,294	37,374	66,293
Kansas	12,261	13,431	28,684	54,376		12,658	13,418	28,678	54,754
Kentucky	27,558	29,188	62,711	119,457		28,497	29,632	64,818	122,948
Louisiana	34,833	40,055	64,715	139,603		33,782	41,078	64,363	139,223
Maine	5,644	5,590	14,872	26,106		5,899	5,827	14,751	26,477
Maryland	20,887	25,271	41,803	87,961		22,363	26,144	42,905	91,412
Massachusetts	25,697	26,934	63,311	115,942		26,972	27,424	64,422	118,818
Michigan	46,239	51,521	114,510	212,270		48,535	52,720	117,117	218,371
Minnesota	19,627	21,130	53,214	93,971		19,815	21,300	53,691	94,807
Mississippi	21,318	29,824	50,752	101,894		21,900	29,768	47,789	99,456
Missouri	31,555	32,879	64,812	129,246		32,823	33,425	65,390	131,638
Montana	4,856	4,312	12,986	22,154		4,831	4,265	12,583	21,679
Nebraska	7,783	8,997	18,597	35,377		7,346	8,917	16,088	32,351
Nevada	8,961	8,983	17,387	35,331		9,019	9,359	18,021	36,399
New Hampshire	4,075	4,661	10,606	19,342		4,038	4,834	10,307	19,179
New Jersey	31,870	33,856	72,263	137,989		33,739	34,835	72,941	141,514
New Mexico	11,806	11,769	28,821	52,396		10,805	11,675	27,950	50,430
New York	96,296	116,995	252,638	465,929		101,713	118,453	258,502	478,668
North Carolina	46,746	50,148	91,197	188,091		49,079	51,912	92,892	193,883
North Dakota	3,452	3,410	9,068	15,930		3,387	3,332	8,724	15,444
Ohio	58,199	76,166	124,034	258,399		58,763	75,725	120,180	254,668
Oklahoma	20,064	21,866	42,884	84,814		21,942	22,721	44,576	89,238
Oregon	21,359	16,194	48,495	86,048		22,062	17,061	50,176	89,299
Pennsylvania	53,236	57,096	151,779	262,111		53,744	56,574	146,701	257,018
Rhode Island	4,469	5,172	12,741	22,382		4,707	5,324	12,565	22,596
South Carolina	29,464	32,076	62,129	123,669		30,193	30,349	58,425	118,966
South Dakota	4,514	4,686	11,086	20,286		4,438	4,679	10,701	19,818
Tennessee	35,375	52,920	55,879	144,174		36,575	37,930	75,784	150,289
Texas	155,563	163,667	321,920	641,150		166,054	174,502	343,028	683,583
Utah	14,277	13,518	27,098	54,893		14,920	14,686	27,905	57,511
Vermont	3,610	2,880	9,571	16,061		3,762	2,959	9,412	16,133
Virginia	27,587	30,553	68,620	126,760		29,547	33,410	66,562	129,520
Washington	29,697	33,284	66,275	129,256		34,071	35,291	75,786	145,147
West Virginia	12,347	12,594	29,232	54,173		12,724	12,592	29,750	55,065
Wisconsin	23,007	24,230	62,475	109,712		23,398	24,560	60,928	108,886
Wyoming	2,758	2,472	5,818	11,048		2,884	2,650	5,931	11,465

Data source: The U.S. Department of Agriculture. Over the years, aspects of USDA reporting of WIC state participation data have changed. Before 1977 only total participation in a state (not data broken down among women, infants, and children) was reported. Also, for each year from 1974 to 1976, participation data were taken from participation in the month of June — at that time the last month of the federal fiscal year. There was a transition quarter between 1976 and 1977 to change the year end from June to September. For 1977 participation for the month of September was used. For 1978 to 1982 WIC participation was kept in two forms: September participation data and monthly average participation data for the 12 months ending in September (the end of the fiscal year). USDA used September participation data for their year-end reports. In order to maximize consistency, the data used in this publication for 1978 to 1982 are the USDA reported monthly average for the 12 months ending in September. From 1983 onwards, USDA has reported participation based on the average for the 12 months ending in September.



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